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Rejoicing Fills USSR As the People Prepare For 20th Anniversary

Famed U. S. Poet Explains Role of
Stakhanovites in Preparation
for Historic Event

By ISIDOR SCHNEIDER
(Special to the Western Worker)

MOSCOW, USSR—It is asking words to do the impossible to convey a sense, to anybody not on the spot, of the mood of excitement and pride in which the people of the Soviet Union approach the twentieth anniversary of the great October Revolution.



JOSEPH STALIN

I remember how I used to smile when American papers carried headlines "The Nation Mourns," or "The Nation Celebrates," and watched the indifferent or preoccupied faces of newspaper buyers mechanically turning to the pages of the want ads or the movie section. Here, however, for months the newspapers could be carrying the headline, "Nation Prepares for November Celebrations" and it would be literally true.

It would be true of the government from the All Union Central Committee down to the smallest village soviet. It would be true of every trade union, club and cultural organization in the country. It would be true of every factory, every cooperative, every collective farm. And it would be true of the last one hundred and sixty millionth human atom of the great unified Soviet nation.

And how is the nation preparing for the celebrations? Not by laying in a stock of tinsel and fireworks and tin horns, though in all probability there will never have been in the world before such a concentration of color, light and music, as there will never have been in the world such genuine national rejoicing.

The nation is first of all making a vast offering of labor so that the twentieth anniversary of the revolution may be celebrated by a triumphant overfulfillment of the second five year plan. This is the biggest and most important part of the preparations and will honor the twentieth year of the Soviet Union with production records as it has already been honored with records in aviation, polar exploration, science and art.

But it will not be a gift of goods alone. It will be also a gift of superior men and women, for in the intensified Socialist competition carried on everywhere, in every factory, workshop, school and studio, human beings of ever increasing resources and effectiveness are being reared.

Stakhanovites Increase

Tens of thousands of Stakhanovites have come to the fore in the course of these months of preparation, and this human wealth, the best witness and justification of Socialism, is the chief twentieth anniversary gift to the Socialist nation. Recently there was a Stakhanovite congress of miners of the Donbas Region and more than 14,000 miners participated; fourteen thousand miners in one great coalfield who had given 200 per

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QUIZ REVEALS COMPANY PAID FOR TEAR GAS

Politicians Trying to Stop
Investigation Into
Banning Case

LOS ANGELES — Under direct examination by members of the Assembly labor and capital investigating committee, Sheriff C. Rayburn admitted last Friday, October 29, that the Metropolitan Water District paid him \$400 to buy new tear gas bombs.

The money was to replace those bombs Rayburn's deputies had used in running International Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' union pickets off the highway leading to the Cabazon shaft of the San Jacinto tunnel, the sheriff declared.

Collusion Admitted

Questioning by Assemblyman Jack Fenny brought out of Rayburn the fact that the District Board of Directors had ordered him to hire 150 extra deputies when the strike began.

Headed by Paul A. Ritchie of San Diego, the newly appointed interim committee removed its hearing to Banning last Thursday. Other witnesses heard by the committee included Doctor A. F. Gill who treated Byron Knight, one of the strikers, for injuries received when deputies beat him, and a newspaper reporter, George Cloverdale.

Tories Oppose Inquiry

Attempts to inject political dissension into the committee hearing have been seen in repeated references made by the Republican members, Melvin Cronin, Emmet Dawson and F. P. Muldoon to a recent investigation of the Banning strike by the Democratic County Central Committee.

"We might as well find out now if the Democratic County Central Committee of Los Angeles is running a kangaroo court," said Cronin.

To Reveal Thug List

Contrary to charges of strikers, and findings of the Democratic committee investigation and an investigation carried on by the Municipal League Committee on Industry, Sheriff Rayburn maintained that there had been no brutality during the strike.

A complete list of all arrests and the names of all deputies and private guards used during the strike was scheduled to be given to the committee when it resumed its hearing Monday.

Additional witnesses are yet to be heard from the Metropolitan Water District, the union, and law enforcement officials. Before it returns to Los Angeles, the committee is slated to conduct a personal investigation of the San Jacinto tunnel.

(For additional details, see Page 8.)

California's Progressives Greet Daily

California's trade unionist and progressive political leaders are virtually unanimous in their approval of the Western Worker's project to launch a daily progressive people's paper on January 1.

William Dalrymple, California regional director of the Committee for Industrial Organization,



WILLIAM DALRYMPLE

writes to Al Richmond, Western Worker editor:

"That is certainly a progressive step and I wish to congratulate you and your staff."

"Also wish to assure you that any time I can be of service you can depend upon my hearty support, and when we have news of importance, rest assured, we will forward same to you."

Many others have written in the same vein and their statements will be published in subsequent issues of the paper.

But isn't there a lesson for you? These leaders recognize the importance of a daily paper in battling the open shop interests and the corrupt politicians. Such a paper can only be built with YOUR support. Give it today. Contribute whatever you can. Mail donations to the Western Worker, 121 Haight St., San Francisco.

Newsboys Win Strike

OAKLAND — Striking newsboys meeting here last night voted acceptance of an agreement which gives them a substantial victory and ends a bitterly fought strike lasting nearly six months.

All six major daily papers in the Bay Area are affected. The agreement guarantees: (1) A wage of \$12 per week for an eight to nine hour day on major downtown corners; (2) A wage of \$7 per week for a five to six hour day on other corners; (3) Union recognition; (4) No discrimination against strikers.

The newsboys are members of the News Vendors, Station Attendants and Bootblacks' Union, affiliated to the CIO.

LABOR UNITY DEMANDS HIT AFL BACKERS

CIO Eager for Unity With
Industrial Unionism
Guarantee

WASHINGTON—Demanding that labor unity be forged on the basis of the Committee for Industrial Organization proposals, when the CIO-AFL unity conference reconvenes here Thursday, November 4, rank and file protests mounted swiftly here at the American Federation of Labor executive council headquarters.

The protests, from unions and individuals throughout the U.S., scored the rejection of the CIO proposals by the AFL delegation, demanding acceptance of them.

CIO Eager for Unity

The CIO position was outlined by Len de Caux, columnist in the official CIO news press service, as follows:

"The CIO from the first has been ready and eager for labor unity on any basis that would protect its unions and guarantee the essential right of industrial organization in basic industries."

"But all that has come from the AFL has been word of unity accompanied by acts of division."

"Typical were the speeches of William Green inviting the CIO unions to come back in at the Tampa AFL convention (1936), while he made no move to lift the suspension that kept them out."

No Guarantee

"A labor movement of 4,000,000 members was asked to divide and dissolve itself. Some of the CIO unions were to be taken back, while the majority were to be left out in the cold, and no guarantee whatever was given that the right of industrial organization would be preserved."

The CIO proposed that a CIO department, with autonomous jurisdiction over its members, be set up within the AFL; that the right of industrial unionism for mass production and other basic industries be conceded; and that a democratic convention of AFL and CIO unions be called to ratify this settlement.

The AFL rejected this with a counter-proposal that the original 10 CIO unions return to the AFL, and that the status of the 22 other CIO unions be left up in the air. Philip Murray, head of the CIO delegation at the conference, termed this proposal as demanding "unconditional surrender" by the CIO.

John L. Lewis, CIO chairman, announced a national unity conference of all unions in the furniture, bedding and allied trades "for the purpose of uniting all furniture workers into a single industrial union affiliated with the CIO," to be held here November 27.

'Please Let Us In, Soldier!'



SO BEG these refugees from the terror of Japanese invaders during the recent fall of Shanghai. They are shown asking refuge of an Anamite guard outside the French concession of the International Settlement.

Mooney Defense Maps Next Steps to Freedom

U. S. Supreme Court Only Legal Recourse;
Appeal to Workers is Ultimate Weapon

SAN FRANCISCO—Tom Mooney's counsel, George I. Davis, will leave for Washington this week, where he will confer with Attorney Frank P. Walsh on again bringing the Mooney case before the United States Supreme Court.

U. S. Supreme Court action was the sole legal recourse left in the famous labor prisoner's fight for freedom after the State Supreme Court handed down its long-awaited denial of a writ of habeas corpus last Saturday.

Not Discouraged

When the court's decision reached Mooney in San Quentin, he said, "I'm not discouraged."

"California has once more proven that justice is not only dead in this state, but it is so deeply buried that it will never be resurrected," Mooney said. "Official California has forfeited the last shred of respect due her by lovers of justice throughout the world."

Although feeling that "the universal cry for justice" will bring a favorable ruling from the Supreme Court, Mooney asked his friends not to abate their efforts in his behalf.

"I call upon the hosts of labor and all progressives and liberty-loving people to protest the decision of the California Supreme Court by holding mass meetings and demonstrations to expose and condemn this monstrous miscarriage of justice," he said.

Mass Protest Planned

In response, the Mooney Defense Committee announced that it will hold a protest meeting in San Francisco on Nov. 21 and will invite nationally prominent figures including Gov. Elmer

Benson of Minnesota.

Mooney's statement also took to task dissenting Justice Langdon for not attaching to his dissenting opinion a review of the facts in the case.

Stoically foreseeing the possibility of a negative ruling by the nation's high tribunal, Mooney added that in that event, "I will appeal to the court of last resort, to the workers of this nation now aroused as they never before have been to the consciousness of their own economic and political power, to bring our ultimate, unconditional freedom and vindication through a stoppage of all work."

Warehouse Pickets Fighting Frame-up

SACRAMENTO — Four CIO Warehousemen's Union pickets, arrested for "disturbing the peace" after their picket line was attacked by police and Teamster officials "goons" last week, pleaded not guilty to charges in police court here.

Date for hearing was set for Tuesday, November 9. Unions are asked to protest the frame-up attempt.

NATIONS OF 9 POWER TREATY WILL CONFER

Dr. Koo Rejects Unofficial
Proposals Coming
From Japan

BRUSSELS, Belgium—China will not accept mediation of the struggle with Japan unless that mediation is based on the terms of the Nine-Power Treaty which guarantees the territorial and political integrity of China.

This flat assertion was made by Dr. Wellington Koo, China's leading delegate, who said in Paris that "this is the only basis on which an attempt at settlement could be made."

It served as China's answer to a campaign of pressure, emanat-

LOS ANGELES — Members of the Los Angeles Communist Party and progressives will picket the Japanese Consulate, 1050 South Broadway, November 6, at 9:30 a.m.

ing from Japan and promoted behind the scenes by British diplomacy, to get China to agree to a truce to be followed by negotiations for a permanent peace.

Questioned on the reports that Japan would propose peace terms including occupation of the North China province and the demilitarization of the Shanghai area, Dr. Koo said that China would not entertain any proposals from Japan.

Granting of these demands to Japan would give the latter all she gains it is seeking in its immediate military campaign against China. On the other hand, the Japanese are generally recognized as unable to stand the expense of an extended war and unable to conquer the vast physical expanses of China in a single campaign.

Past Policy Renounced
Dr. Koo's announcement was further indication that China had completely turned its back on past policy, under which similar concessions enabled Japan to consolidate position after position in China as the basis for further aggression.

As the conference opening date neared, both Italy and Japan would make every effort to discredit it in advance. Italy sent a minor diplomatic agent as its official representative, rather than Foreign Minister Galeazzo Ciano, Japan was boycotting the conference completely.

Britain Evasive
Great Britain, having virtually ignored repeated examples of Japanese firing on British officials or soldiers in the International Settlement in Shanghai, let it be known in advance that "any action taken must depend on the cooperation of the United States."

Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden made this statement in outlining the Tory Cabinet's foreign policy to the House of Commons.

While this vague position was put forward for public consumption along with a demagogic effort to defend the cabinet's foreign policy against the Labor Party's proposed vote of non-confidence, England was generally regarded as prepared to take the lead in a behind the scenes effort to get China to mediate on whatever conditions Japan is willing to agree to.

British "unofficial" spokesmen were the source of rumors here that China's demand for its full rights under the Nine-Power Treaty would be "embarrassing" to Great Britain, France and the United States.

Litvinov to Attend
Full support for China's rights under the Nine-Power Treaty was considered assured in advance from the Soviet Union, which will send Foreign Commissar Maxim Litvinov as delegate to the conference here.

The Soviet government accepted the invitation to participate in the conference as a country vitally interested in Far Eastern problems, despite the fact that it was not a signatory to the treaty.

COAST AWAITS DAILY EDITOR

Hathaway Will Speak in
West Coast Cities

SAN FRANCISCO—Clarence Hathaway, editor of the Daily Worker and member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, will speak to a radio audience Friday night, November 5, at 7:30 o'clock, over station KGOC in this city.

Hathaway will arrive Thursday from Chicago for a speaking tour in the leading cities of the West Coast. Friday night he will speak at the Civic Auditorium in Oakland, Saturday night at the San Francisco Dreamland Auditorium, and Sunday night at the Olympic Auditorium in Los Angeles. His last public appearance on the Coast will be in Seattle where he will address progressives and trade unionists on Wednesday evening, November 10.

Syndicalist Law Victims Speak
The meetings are being arranged by the local Communist Party organizations in celebration of the twentieth anniversary of socialism in the Soviet Union. In addition to pageantry and special events for two of the meetings, Editor Hathaway will share the platform with leading Party members and recently released defendants of the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism Case.

In Oakland, Caroline Decker and Pat Chambers will greet the audience. In San Francisco, Jack Crane, Martin Wilson, and Chambers will speak. William Schneiderman, State Secretary of the Communist Party, and Leo Gallagher, nationally known lawyer who has just returned from a tour of the Soviet Union, will speak at the Los Angeles meeting, where, as a special event, 200 new members will be inducted into the Communist Party.

Youth of West To Hear Ross, Other Leaders

In addition to addresses at the first annual convention of the California Young Communist League, Carl Ross, national secretary of the Young Communist League, will speak to radio audiences according to the following schedule:

San Francisco, KGOC, Monday November 8, 7:30 p.m.
East Bay, KRE, Friday November 5, 8:15 p.m. (Will be amplified at the November 7 celebration meeting.)

Los Angeles, KMTR, November 5, 7:45 p.m.

The Mooney Ruling—Mockery of Justice

THE UNDERTAKERS who sit on the State Supreme Court coffin have ruled in their hollow voices that Tom Mooney must remain in the tombs of San Quentin. In a 92-page legal document, a maze of prejudice and falsehood, the black-robed justices attempted to defend that which in the eyes of the world is indefensible.

Mooney and his friends said simply: "We expected it." And truly the ruling was no surprise. It is now accepted that simple truth and the most elementary concepts of justice carry no weight on California's scales of justice.

Twenty-one years ago a crime was committed against mankind. And for twenty-one years, the courts of California and the legally constituted authorities have dedicated themselves to the perpetuation and defense of that crime. The greater the world's indignation at the crime has become, the more vehement and shameless have become the

black-robed puppets of California's real rulers in shielding that crime.

NO STRAW is too flimsy to clutch at, no weapon too dirty to use when you must defend a flimsy and dirty cause. The weapons match the cause.

Thus the court perpetuates the prejudice whipped up by its 1916 predecessor and states that Mooney is "outspokenly hostile to our system of government." Therefore, he must remain in jail! Such is the due abcess of law.

American labor, the majority of the State Assembly, that section of the American press which retains a shred of conscience, and millions of Americans who are not "hostile to our system of government," have pronounced Mooney innocent, a victim of prejudice and perjury.

But the honored justices said "that Mooney has failed to establish by substantial credible

evidence that his conviction was the result of perjury on the part of prosecution witnesses."

Substantial . . . credible evidence.

It was substantial and credible enough to convince the world at large. But it will never be substantial and credible enough for those who only understand the substance of monopolized wealth, who circumscribe credibility with corporation law.

But there is no need to debate Mooney's innocence. That issue has been settled in the "conscience of mankind." There is a larger issue at stake:

THE IDEALS of liberty and democracy may have withered to death in the foul atmosphere of California's dark legal chambers. But they have not withered in the hearts of the American people. To them Mooney's continued imprisonment is a challenge. For, with him in San Quentin's cell

sits liberty with heavy shackles about her feet.

No one who cherishes liberty can remain idle now. Its enemies would like to have the case rest. With subtle malice, they cite the expense to the taxpayers of Mooney's latest appeal. But there is no price too high to pay for liberty.

The case cannot rest. The fight will go on so long as there is any one person left in this country who believes in liberty. The fight will go on until it is won for liberty is the price of defeat.

Let us re-dedicate ourselves now to strengthen the fight for Mooney freedom, to support with greater effort all activities on his behalf.

Let us mark now all those in state office, from Governor Merriam down, who are partners to the crime and vow that not a one will get back to Sacramento next election.

Labor League Convention in S. F. Civic Auditorium

MAJORITY OF LABOR UNIONS ARE EXPECTED

Oliver in Los Angeles for Conferences With Labor, Political Leaders

SAN FRANCISCO—The Civic Auditorium in this city will be the scene of the state convention of Labor's Non-Partisan League, announced Secretary-Treasurer Herbert Resner last Monday.

The convention is scheduled Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 11 and 12, and calls were put in the mails this week inviting all trade unions and progressive political, fraternal, cooperative, and farm groups to send representatives.

Deluge of Inquiring
"Since the announcement of permanent affiliation to Labor's Non-Partisan League," Resner said, "our office force has been kept busy answering inquiries from hundreds of interested parties. Prominent among them are leaders of AFL unions that have heretofore taken little or no part in political action."

"It is already clear that by far the largest majority of the labor movement will have representatives at the convention. Many AFL unions are already affiliated nationally and need no persuasion. This holds true of the Railway Brotherhood as well."

Oliver Asks Cooperation Of Legal Profession

SAN FRANCISCO — E. L. Oliver, executive vice-president of Labor's Non-Partisan League, told the National Lawyers Guild here that failure of earlier progressive political movements is attributable largely to the fact that they "did not have root in organized labor."

With labor as the central factor, Oliver said, "we can work out a cooperation in Labor's Non-Partisan League that will give us an indispensable group of trained forces without weakening the forces now at work in the League."

Reactionary AFL Heads Plan 'War' On CIO in West
SAN FRANCISCO — Leading reactionary officials in the American Federation of Labor on the Pacific Coast, set up a coast wide committee to wage "war" against the Committee for Industrial Organization at a meeting here last Friday.

John P. McLaughlin, San Francisco Teamster leader, was elected chairman, and Edward D. Vandeleur, State Federation of Labor secretary, as executive secretary.

Stating the field of operations for the "war," Vandeleur said the AFL Executive Council is "satisfied a large majority in the maritime, teaming and lumber industries of the Pacific Coast are in complete accord with the AFL," and claimed "longshoremen in particular" are "tired of the leadership that has been given them."

CIO Named for Portland Mills

WASHINGTON — Lumber & Sawmill Workers Union, Local 3, affiliated to the CIO Intl. Woodworkers of America, has been certified by the National Labor Relations Board as collective bargaining agent for plant and production workers in seven lumber mills in Portland and Linnton, Oregon.

The mills were Jones Lumber Co., Clark & Wilson Lumber Co., Portland Mills, Inman-Poulson Lumber Co., and Eastern & Western Lumber Co. of Portland; and B. F. Johnson Lumber Co. and West Oregon Lumber Co. of Linnton.

PORTLAND UNION WINS
NEW YORK — The Textile Workers Organizing Committee announced signing an agreement covering 250 workers at the Portland Woolen Mills, Portland, Ore.

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Roosevelt Views Bonneville Dam



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT (waving dark hat from rear seat) inspects the New Deal project in Oregon, which will cost \$75,000,000 and produce 580,000 horsepower. Such projects have been under fire by economic royalists and utility monopolists recently.

Arizona Governor Stalls on Calling Special Legislature

By THOMAS J. CROAFF

PHOENIX, Ariz.—The "hunger war" is going along steadily in Arizona, with the "unemployables" still hungry.

Meeting at Tucson, relief and other agencies' officials of Pima, Santa Cruz and Cochise counties, are planning a drive upon Governor R. C. Stanford to call another "special" session of the legislature.

This would be the fourth special session of the legislature this year. The only other remedy would be a proclamation of the Governor declaring an emergency and moving funds from the general state fund to the relief agencies. While the officials talk, these unfortunate human beings still suffer.

Edgar Goyette, head of the Pima county welfare board charged at the Tucson meeting that according to the construction placed upon the law by officials at the state capital, "hunger is not an emergency."

Sentiment of many of the officials at the meeting was that the governor could declare hunger an emergency, but the governor's advisers waver between a special session of the legislature, unfriendly to the governor, and the uncertain emergency proclamation transferring the funds to relief agencies.

Simultaneously with the Tucson meeting P. H. Brooks, commissioner of the state welfare board at Phoenix, announced that the state board has about 3,900 "cases" of unemployables before his board with funds for November to give to each "case" an average of \$10.36 for the month. "Cases" usually mean "families" and the number of individuals suffering amounts to many times the number of cases.

Doctors Declare Need Of Arizona Relief

PHOENIX—Doctors in Pima and Santa Cruz counties entered the fight for relief of the needy in Southern Arizona.

In a number of affidavits filed with the Governor the doctors declared that the community health is endangered particularly in Nogales and Tucson due to lack of food and clothing.

A statewide conference is being called through official channels seeking a solution of the intense suffering.

Car Overturned As 'Blow' Against CIO

SAN FRANCISCO—While the Independent Window Cleaners, organization whose members formerly belonged to AFL Window Cleaners Local 44, were meeting last Sunday at 2424 Mariposa St. to hear a speaker invited from the CIO, an automobile belonging to Louis Berge, 579 Elizabeth St., a member, was overturned. Head of the AFL local is Fred West, right hand man for State AFL Secretary Vandeleur.

Chinese Aid Group Appeals for Milk

LOS ANGELES—An appeal to all churches in the city "for one can of milk for each member in the congregation" was sent out last week by the Chinese Relief Headquarters at 225 North Los Angeles Street.

San Francisco

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L.A. Mayor Asked to Proclaim Peace Week Nov. 4 to 11

By THOMAS J. CROAFF

LOS ANGELES—Demands for official declaration of the week of November 4 to 11 as "Peace Week" were sent to Mayor Frank L. Shaw by the Southern California Congress for Democracy and Peace, Allan Metcalf, organizer, announced last week.

The letter to the mayor said in part:

"In view of President Roosevelt's recent statement 'America actively engages in the search for peace,' . . . in view of the threat of war existing in the world today, we believe such action on your part would be exceedingly appropriate and an expression of the sentiment of the peace-loving people of Los Angeles," it continued.

Other organizations, including the Anti-Nazi League, the National Negro Congress, the League of Women Shoppers, and trade unions are expected to make similar demands of the mayor.

Teamsters to Have Paper

OAKLAND—Support of San Francisco teamsters and publication of a joint rank and file weekly newspaper by principal Northern California locals will be sought by Teamsters Local 70 members here in their fight against the reactionary dictatorship of international officials.

A delegation of 30 Oakland drivers will visit the San Francisco Local 85 meeting on Thursday, November 4, to ask for rank and file support of their fellow unionists, it was decided at a meeting last Friday.

Teamster Czars Sign 'Agreement'

SACRAMENTO — Teamsters Union officials signed an "agreement" with the Sacramento Valley Warehouse Co., a subsidiary of the River Lines of Sacramento, to here last week without having a single employee of the company in their union, declared officials for the Warehousemen's Union, CIO affiliate.

One hundred CIO warehousemen are still on strike 100 per cent in the rice warehouses on a 110-mile front in the Sacramento Delta region. The union signed agreements with Tindel Warehouse and another small warehouse.

Los Angeles CIO Seeks Legislation to Abolish Anti-Union Injunctions

LOS ANGELES—Initial steps to seek legislation forbidding issuance of court injunctions against labor unions, were taken by local CIO forces when a legislative committee of six members was appointed by C. H. Jordan, Industrial Council secretary.

This committee, said Jordan, is to work for state legislation similar to the Norris-La Guardia Federal Act, which forbids courts to issue injunctions against unions without previous trial of the issues involved. Such legislation has been recently enacted in twenty states.

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Federal Power Body Hits 'Squatting' on Strategic Dam Site

Shady Financing Exposed in Refusal to Renew Permit After Seven Years Delay in Building

WASHINGTON—Phoney utility practices, including "squatting" on the power sites and shady financing, were laid bare by the Federal Power Commission here in an opinion denying to the Gasconade River Power Co. of Kansas City, Mo., a license to construct and operate a hydro-electric development on the Gasconade river in Missouri.

The opinion, written by Commissioner Basil Manly, recounts that the company first applied for a license to construct the project in November, 1929. The law provides for a maximum of seven years delay between the granting of a preliminary permit and the actual beginning of construction. In this case the company asks for a period of 11 years between the time of granting a preliminary permit and the actual beginning of operations.

"It is clear," Manly's opinion states, "that such extended monopolization of the rights of priority to a water power site on one of the navigable waters of the United States is not in harmony with either the spirit or letter of the Federal Power Act."

Also analyzed is the company's proposed method of financing, which is characterized as the "type of financing which has in the past been so largely responsible for the misfortunes of investors in public utility securities."

It is estimated that the project will cost \$8,774,000. To this the applicant proposes to add \$1,225,922 to cover the costs of financing, contractors' profit, and increased cost of material, making the total cost \$10,000,000. It is proposed to finance this by the issuance of \$7,500,000 first mortgage bonds and \$2,500,000 convertible income 5 per cent bonds, the opinion states.

In other words, it is proposed to issue to the public first mortgage bonds for 85 per cent of the cost of the only tangible assets of the project and so-called convertible income bonds for an additional \$2,500,000, the opinion continues.

Also taken apart by the power commission is the vaunted engineering efficiency about which public utilities boast. Taking

Memorial Meeting Planned in S. F. For Haymarket

By THOMAS J. CROAFF

SAN FRANCISCO—Representatives from the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, all branches of the Workmen's Circle and other labor and fraternal organizations have formed an arrangements committee for a public meeting commemorating the 50th anniversary of the martyrdom of the Haymarket labor leaders in Chicago.

The meeting will be held Nov. 11 in the Millinery Workers Hall, 1067 Market Street.

The meeting is one of many to be scheduled all over the country under the sponsorship of the Chicago Federation of Labor and several international unions.

Through President Vito Marcantonio, the International Labor Defense has issued a nation-wide appeal for support of the meetings and of the memorial celebration in Chicago.

Special Issue of Calif. Party Builder Off Press

SAN FRANCISCO — "Recruit While You Raise Funds for the Daily" is the theme-song of the Special Recruiting Issue of the California Builder just off the press. This little booklet obtainable through your local party organization, features an article by Comrade Bill Schneiderman on "Party Building"

the company's own figures, the opinion shows that it figures on revenue of \$646,000 a year while its own engineers figure total charges at \$650,000 a year.

Tories' Target



WILLIAM O. DOUGLAS, chairman of the Securities Exchange Commission, now under fire from Wall Street moguls on the pretext that government regulation is a contributing factor to the recent stock breaks.

Bernstein Lauds Tactics in Moving Capital of Spain

By THOMAS J. CROAFF

SAN FRANCISCO — Reports that fear had caused the Loyalist government of Spain to move its capital from Valencia to Barcelona were scouted as without basis by Hilliard Bernstein, national executive committee member of the Workers' Alliance, who was one of the original members of the Lincoln Brigade.

Bernstein is on a nation-wide speaking tour, having come home at the call of the Alliance after his health had forced him out of the active list.

He said the move will place the capital in the center of the most important war industries of Loyalist Spain, keep it out of easy range of the Italian air base on the Balearics and give it greater proximity to France.

The latter, he said, will be particularly important in the event of the opening of the French border.

Bernstein spoke twice in the Bay area last week end. He was scheduled to speak Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in Los Angeles and Thursday, Nov. 4 in San Diego. On the 6th he will speak in Salt Lake City and on the 7th in Denver.

Bernstein to Speak in San Diego School Hall

SAN DIEGO — Hilliard Bernstein, back from nearly a year in Spain, will speak Thursday night, Nov. 4, in Lincoln School Auditorium here.

L. A. COUNCIL VOTES DOWN WATER BOOST

Power Commission Presses Anew for Increase at Closed Meeting

LOS ANGELES—City council members last Friday, Oct. 29, shut their eyes, raised their hands and quietly voted NO on the ordinance proposing an increase in water rates that would cost consumers an additional \$2,500,000 yearly.

Although this particular ordinance was definitely out as a result of the vote, the city dais were still on the horns of a dilemma and efforts to "put one over" on the citizens were highly probable as a result of a subsequent action for a closed conference with the Water and Power Commission Tuesday, Nov. 2nd. A compromise increase proposed was anticipated.

One side of the dilemma was openly represented in the council chambers in the form of angry protesting citizens objecting to the 43-cent increase in minimum rates.

On the other side was the behind the scenes manipulation of the Water and Power Commission.

Should the councillors defy the "citizen" political weapon or face the threat of the Commission's promised two million default on interest and principle bond payments if the ordinance didn't pass? The latter appeared less momentarily forbidding and eleven members voted against John Baumgartner's motion to adopt the ordinance.

Loud applause greeted Councilman Brannard's half-hearted efforts to have the forthcoming conference open to the public and when Councilman Evan Lewis in one of his daily tirades shouted "We must not increase water rates and we must not raise the taxes," the audience broke into cheers.

Surgeon Wounded

NEW YORK — Dr. Arnold Donawa, New York oral surgeon and former dean of Howard University Dental School, was wounded near the French border in Spain during a fascist aerial bombardment, it was learned by cable here to the Medical Bureau to Aid Spanish Democracy.

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Mussolini's Cost to Italian People Bared

Losses In Men and Resources Seen Despite Ban

By SCOTT NEARING

Italian Fascists have been waging a campaign for at least a dozen years that has as its object a self-contained fatherland. Italy is to grow its own wheat; electrify its railroads and thus reduce the importation of coal; grow its own cotton, and in other ways make itself independent of the outside world.

The slogans of this campaign must be very attractive to the average patriotic Italian school boy, but what of the adult Italian who reads the news and puts two and two together?

Here is a report from Rome to the effect that during September, 1937, 41 Italian officers, 61 Italian soldiers and an unspecified number of native troops fighting under the Italian flag were killed in the struggle to keep peace among the already pacified Ethiopians. The Italian victories in Ethiopia were celebrated in 1936, yet a year later the military losses sound like these of a minor war.

Spain War Costly

Grandi, Ciano, Mussolini and other Italian spokesmen who have been insisting all along that Italy was taking no official part in the Spanish war now admit that there are 40,000 Italian troops in Spain. At the same time, they loudly deny the assertions made by French, British and Spanish loyalist experts to the effect that Italian troops in Spain number somewhere between 80,000 and 120,000.

The arming, supplying and maintenance of 40,000 soldiers is no small item. Even if Italian participation in the Spanish war is limited to this number, the Italian treasury will have to foot a considerable bill.

"Pay the Bill"

Now comes the announcement from Rome of a 10 per cent capital levy against certain types of Italian property, the object of which is to help cover the costs of these African and Spanish adventures. The Fascist government has brought glory to Italy. The Italian people are now beginning to pay the bill.

Several years ago studies made by the Intl. Labor Office indicated that standards of living among Italian workers were lower than those existing in any other large country of west Europe. The building of the Italian empire along present lines will lower these standards still further.

Facts Suppressed

Most industrial countries publish figures from time to time dealing with the "principal" aspects of production, exchange and distribution. The League of Nations compiles these figures and publishes them monthly in a Bulletin of Statistics. The latest available copy of this bulletin (Sept., 1937) gives figures for Italian industrial production in 1935. For every other principal country the figures are printed at least to the middle of 1937.

The latest Italian unemployment figures printed in the same bulletin are for 1934, whereas for most of the countries, figures are available for the first six months of 1937. Only price figures can be secured for Italy, and those show that the cost of living index stood at 75 in 1934 and at 92 in July, 1937.

Small National Income

Italy has always been a poor placed at 3.6 billion dollars (a placed at 3.6 billion dollars (a third of that of Great Britain and a tenth of the income of the United States). In 1928 Italian income was estimated at 4.9 billion (a fourth of the British and a sixteenth of the U. S. income). The Fascist regime has launched this relatively poor country on a campaign of imperial adventures and conquests, the costs of which must sooner or later appear in the lowered standard of living of the Italian masses.

The failure of the Italian government to publish adequate figures on production, unemployment, etc., covering the past three years, makes it next to impossible to estimate the extent to

Visited Home



DIMITRY V. BOGOMOLOFF, Soviet Ambassador to China, who recently visited Moscow on an undisclosed mission.

Bare Ruse Of Mexico Fascists

Use Anti-Fascist Slogans to Mislead People and Gain Following

MEXICO CITY—Fascists in Mexico, having formed the "Mexican Social Democratic Party," are attempting to disguise their attack by pretending to be anti-fascist.

Employing tactics that have become the stock in trade of U. S. reaction, the new "party" accuses the leaders of the National Revolutionary Party (the government party), the Communist Party and the Confederation of Mexican Workers of attempting to bring about "fascist" control of the country and the suppression of civil liberties by their proposal of legislation to eliminate the increasing number of reactionary terrorist groups.

The "Social Democratic Party" was formed several months ago, its inaugural congress being featured by cheers for General Francisco Franco and the discredited Luis N. Morones. The latter was a "labor leader" in the service of General Plutarco Calles.

Santa Monica Meeting for 20th Soviet Anniversary

SANTA MONICA—The Twentieth Anniversary of the Soviet Union will be celebrated here Friday, November 5th, 8 p.m. at St. George's Hall, 1447 W. 16th Street.

Featuring the celebration will be three films "Aid to Spain," "Sentenced to Health" and "Soviet Flyers." Admission will be twenty five cents.

which this bill for empire and glory has already been presented to Italian farmers and workers.

The one set of figures available, those bearing on the cost of living, lead the observer to suspect that the Italian economic apparatus is headed directly toward higher government costs, increased unemployment and substantial reductions in the standards of well being of the Italian people.

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Russia before the Socialist revolution was the country of Black Hundred pogroms and massacres of the Jewish people. The Jews were debarred from any participation in the economic and cultural life of the country.

They fled from Tsarist Russia, seeking to escape the horror of racial persecution and economic degradation. Today, in Russia, under Soviet power, the Jews have found a real home, and are enjoying a peaceful and happy life.

From other lands of persecution the Jews came to the Soviet Union to settle in Birobidjan, the Jewish Autonomous Province, which is a flourishing part of the USSR.

Prosperous Land

The Jewish settlers, with the assistance of the Central Government, within the space of a few short years have transformed the virgin soil of Birobidjan into a bright and prosperous homeland for the Jews.

Here they live, work and develop a cultural life, free from racial persecution and antagonisms. The Jews live on the friendliest terms with the Mongolian people, the Tartars and Cossacks, who inhabit the adjoining territories.

Throughout the Soviet Union the Jews, excluded no longer from industry and agriculture, are working side by side with other nationalities. Whereas before the Revolution only 4 per cent of the Jews were workers in large-scale industry, today 29.8 per cent are employed in this section of national economy.

Widespread Settlements

Jews are working and tilling the Socialist soil in co-operation with other Soviet citizens. Jews are settled not only in Birobidjan but in the Ukraine and the Crimea. The Jewish collective farmers of the Ukraine, at the end of 1936, entered into the first competition with the Cossack farmers of the Azov-Black Sea Territory.

Jews and Cossacks! In Tsarist days these words brought up pictures of pogroms, incendiarism, and extreme brutality. The Cossacks were incited against the Jews; the Tsarist Government fanned every prejudice against the Jews who were called "hucksters."

Now the Cossacks are active Soviet citizens, living like the rest of the nations in the USSR, a new life.

The Cossacks and the Jews signed their Socialist competition agreement. They challenged each other to friendly contests in sowing, tractor-driving, horse-breeding, and combine-repairs. They exchanged valuable experiences.

Equal Rights

The friendly meetings of the Cossack and Jewish people are a symbol of the new relationship between the Jews and all the nationalities. The Jew has grown to full stature in the USSR because he has full and equal rights, guaranteed by the Constitution. He is free from discrimination and the shame of persecution.

The Constitution protects the

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The thirty-ninth Loyalist Brigade of Republican Spain is honored by Gen. Jose Miaja (second from right) for valor in the field. The Brigade distinguished itself in recent fighting against the mercenaries of Fascist Franco.

Diary of an American in Spain

We Hurl 'Nitro' While Fascist Snipers Send Bullets From Nowhere

By ADDISON KEELER

IT IS AFTERNOON. We still sit on the parapet of the trench cursing the snipers in the church who now and then send bullets whistling uncomfortably close. An officer arrives—volunteers are wanted to throw nitro-glycerine bombs into the church. A simple job—we must advance to the walls under cover of fire from our tanks, then toss the nitro through the doors and windows and smoke the devils out.

We volunteer out of sheer boredom and irritability. We march down back of the cemetery and then, one by one, make a run for it to shelter behind a building close to the church. For some reason now we are split up, five of us on the river side of the building.

Where Are the Snipers?

We lie against the wall of the building listening to the occasional crack of rifle fire and trying to figure out from where it comes. Is it coming only from snipers in the church? Fifty yards separate us from the wall of the church yard. Our sergeant pokes his head out beyond the corner—there is a "sharp ping!" and he hastily withdraws to cover.

"No use trying to cross it yet awhile. We'll wait until the tanks open up and make those snipers withdraw."

We settle ourselves comfortably against the wall. Before us and beneath us lies the river and beyond the river are some scattered buildings on the outskirts of the town.

"Look there!" said Eph, pointing at one of the buildings. "I could swear someone's stuck a rifle out of one of those windows."

We looked for a long time and saw nothing.

They Get Our Officer

An officer appears, a lieutenant whom we do not know, walking erect around a corner of the building. Our sergeant warns him about snipers but he is plainly of the opinion that there is no danger.

"I'm going to run across to the church wall—stand up, boys, and watch me make it." We stand up and it happens. Ping! Ping! Their fascist snipers are crack shots. The officer

Jews and all other minorities.

The Soviet Government, as a Workers' and Peasants' Government, from the very beginning set itself definitely against any "race theories" and racial hatreds, on which fascists and reactionaries of all shades thrive.

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Japan Raids British Post

SHANGHAI—Encouraged by a lack of British protest over previous killing of British marines, Japanese soldiers fired again into the International Settlement and confiscated a Chinese junk and its cargo which was being unloaded on the British side of Soochow creek.

Although Japanese officials apologized for the shooting, the confiscation remained as an unsettled "incident" accompanying the wanton killing of Chinese civilians.

In the North a quick maneuver by a detachment of the troops under the command of the Communist General Chu Teh destroyed a Japanese supply train of 30 trucks loaded with supplies destined for a large sector of the Japanese army which had been isolated from its base.

Schedule American League Weekly LA Radio Program

LOS ANGELES—Announcement of a weekly broadcast of the American League Against War and Fascism every Monday night, 10 p.m., over station KFWB, was made last week by Allen Metcalf, local League organizer.

place—we call ourselves the "Lost Company."

We Join the English

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Our English comrades have already fought a brief hot engagement with the enemy and we are now camped in a hollow of the hills resting before the final assault of morning. Most of them are alert when we join them. We spread our blankets on the rock-strewn ground and prepare to catch a few hours' rest before dawn.

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Island Dictator Massacres 500 Haitian Workers

Pact With Bloody Hitler Regime Is Seen As Motivating Force in Slaughter

By J. M. TORO NAZARIO (Special cable to Federated Press and La Voz, Spanish Language Daily.)

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico—The hand of Hitler is plainly visible in the bloody policy inaugurated by the army of Pres. Rafael Leonidas Trujillo of the Dominican Republic with the fearful massacre of some 500 Haitian workers and peasants along the Haitian-Dominican frontier.

The slaughter, so frightful that attempts were made to suppress mention of it in Haiti itself, took place as the Trujillo dictatorship, termed the cruelest in the western hemisphere, was recalling its diplomatic representative from Berlin for consultations.

The envoy, Alfredo Ricart y Olives, has just arrived at Santo Domingo, Dominican capital, bringing details of a pact arrived at with the Hitler government whereby 40,000 Nazi "farmers" will be established on the island where Columbus set foot in the western world on his second voyage.

Haiti Conquest Planned

The massacre, which has brought war fever to the boiling point on both sides of the frontier, took place two days after a special meeting of the Trujillo cabinet. On this occasion the dictator is known to have told his colleagues that he had decided on the outright conquest of Haiti and that he would immediately proceed to provoke border clashes which would give him a pretext for invasion.

Hundreds upon hundreds of Haitian men, women and children, such as customarily come to the neighboring republic in search of work, were shot down in cold blood at Delaision and Monte Cristi, the northeastern part of the Dominican republic. This massacre, which filled hospitals in Haitian frontier towns, was followed by new border incidents, in which the Dominican army crossed the line, defeating the Haitian troops who were defending the town of Juana Mendez and killing many of them.

Threat to U. S.

If the Hitler-Trujillo dream comes true, Santo Domingo will be converted into a great base for fascist propaganda throughout Latin America. What will Pres. Roosevelt, in the light of his Chicago speech, think of this?

The unprovoked invasion of Haiti, along lines of the current fascist interventionist formula, ignores the almost servile efforts of the Haitian president, Stenio Vincent, to curry Trujillo's favor. To appease the dictator of the neighboring country, Vincent has persecuted and jailed Dominican political refugees or turned them over for Trujillo's firing squads. Even after the massacre, he tried to suppress the news in Haiti's press. It has brought him nothing, and Haiti, without modern arms, faces the modern aviation corps of Trujillo, whose servile press likens him to Hannibal, Alexander the Great and Napoleon and calls him the inspirer of the strong nations meaning Italy, Germany and Japan.

Trujillo is in the midst of what is called a campaign for re-election and like other dictators of trouble-ridden countries, finds a chance to stir up hatred against a neighboring country to his immediate political advantage.

Hearst Empire in Mexico to Go to Landless Peons

MEXICO CITY—(FP)—The huge Mexican estates of William Randolph Hearst will soon be the object of the government's land reform program. It is confidently expected in well-informed quarters here.

Pres. Cardenas is preparing for a visit to various northern states which will also lead him to Chihuahua, where Hearst is one of the big landowners. His rich holdings are expected to be the first which will be expropriated for distribution among the Indian peons.

Miners Win Support

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Teamster Czar, Boss, and Cop— Find Difference Between Them

THE DIFFERENCE between a Teamsters' Union official and a boss, or between said official and a cop, is more and more becoming the difference between Tweedle-dee and Tweedle-dum. Furthermore, virtually no pretense is made by these so-called labor leaders.

Taking their cue from the melodramatic and hysterical speeches of President William Green at the AFL convention in Denver, and at the importation of an employers' hysteric lawyer to attack the Wagner Act and the National Labor Relations Board, the Teamster czars are going ahead with their bloody and conscienceless war against the Committee for Industrial Organization.

Latest battlefield in this war is at Sacramento, with the Teamster officials, the employers and the police on one side and the striking Warehousemen, CIO affiliate, on the other. Five CIO pickets had their heads bashed in with clubs wielded by the officials' goons and by cops, and four more pickets were arrested.

San Jose is set as the next battlefield, where a grocery company has notified its warehousemen to leave the Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union and join the Teamsters' Union, or else be fired.

The Teamster officials are finding that the employers are their best "organizers." The head of the Sacramento River Lines signed an agreement with the Teamster czars, and then, armed with Teamster buttons, went out to the ILWU picket line to sign up members for the "union."

The Teamsters Union working members (not the "goons" or the scabs, to whom the officials give union buttons) must feel a sharp nausea when they see those whom they are asked to call "brother teamsters." No union man likes to see his organization degraded as the Teamsters Union is being debased by its officials.

That these latest battles in the AFL's anti-CIO war come at a time when Green & Co. are making ardent protestations for "peace" and "unity," at the conference with the CIO in Washington, is but further evidence of the insincerity and boss-collaborationist policies of the AFL executive council.

The situation is critical for all labor. All progressive union men and women, particularly those in AFL unions, must see it as their imperative task to cleanse the labor movement of such men as the Teamster officials who help the bosses wage war on the workers. They must resolve now that vigilantism must go out of the labor movement.

Bring the LaFollette Committee to California

NOT A FEW California open shop employers and inspirers of vigilantism have the jitters that come to the guilty in the face of impending public exposure.

Reason: the LaFollette Senate Civil Liberties Committee is reported as preparing to investigate.

And well it might! Let unions and individuals as well encourage it to do so. Before it and before the nation the facts of California vigilantism and deliberate conspiracy to violate Federal laws must be exposed to the open air.

What is there to be told?

Probably the most open and shut case of law violation by the employers is the notorious conspiracy of a group of open shop cabinet firms in Los Angeles who signed a widely advertised agreement against unions. Even at the time of the Millmen's strike this was recognized everywhere as a violation of the Wagner act in fact if not by explicit agreement.

Now the Committee is in possession of a photostat of the agreement which leaves no room for doubt. It was and is a conspiracy to violate federal law by agreeing in writing not to "enter into any agreement either oral or written or implied" nor to "recognize nor deal with any person or persons not on the company payroll in matters of individual or collective bargaining."

* California's vigilantism is a record of black refection employing fascist methods. Let the victims and the thugs from Salinas, Stockton, Orange County and Banning take the stand. Above all, find out who hired the

vigilantes, what the state police did to protect the civil rights of strikers, and what role the state officials of the AFL played in the main centers of the vigilante attacks.

The LaFollette Committee has done an excellent service in exposing other examples of violations and conspiracy to violate the constitutional rights of American citizens, especially of union members.

See that it does come to California!

Put Roosevelt's Speech Into Effect At Brussels

PRINTED and reprinted in the capitalist press today is the argument: "The only way to stop Japan is to go to war with her."

This is nonsense and it comes from those who are not interested in stopping Japan or directly opposed to it.

It comes on the eve of the Brussels conference of signatories of the Nine-Power Treaty and its clear purpose is to prevent the United States from any action at all which would brand the aggressor nations for what they are.

It comes from such writers as William P. Simms of the Scripps-Howard papers. It differs from Hearst only in the sense that Hearst came out openly and directly against Roosevelt's speech condemning aggressors and calling for a quarantine against them.

But from Hearst and from Simms (Trotskyists also contribute their nickel's worth) the argument leads to the same program: "Do nothing. Roosevelt was right (or maybe he was wrong). But Japan is determined. If we boycott Japan, then we must go to war." Or to put it in the words of Simms, who pretends not to be advancing an argument but only "reporting" an opinion: "The only thing that will stop the Japanese, insiders here agree, is force. And the Brussels conference will not be able to supply it."

The San Francisco Chronicle gets closer to the point in a scathing contemptible editorial attacking picketers of the Japanese "goodwill" delegation and the promoters of the anti-Japanese boycott.

In short these gentlemen are now willing to concede you the privilege of hanging your clothes on a hickory limb, but not to go near the water.

Not one of the three main aggressors, Italy, Japan and Germany, is invulnerable to a boycott. With Japan's great reliance on foreign trade a boycott could be a major factor in stopping the invasion of China.

More than this, the joint action of the non-fascist countries in stigmatizing the aggressors could be a major factor in isolating them, in turning world sentiment further against their acts of murder and pillage.

Repeatedly, retreat or isolation has proved itself the promoter of further aggression, further war. Yet these self-styled advocates of peace have the gall to advocate that retreat or isolation continue, in the name of the same peace it has shattered with bomb and canon and drenched in Chinese and Spanish blood.

Letters and telegrams in thousands should reach the Department of State and the White House from individuals and organizations, demanding that the American delegates stand firmly for an international anti-Japanese boycott, for branding the aggressors as such.

The Stumbling Block To Labor's Unity

THE American Federation of Labor's counter-proposal to the Committee for Industrial Organization's peace offer will go down in history as the most brazen bit of reactionary stupidity in American labor annals.

Two years have gone by since the CIO was formed, still another year has elapsed since the CIO idea was projected at the San Francisco convention of the AFL, but there hasn't been a leaf torn off the old calendar in the AFL office since 1900.

The AFL proposal assumes that nothing has happened in the past two years when MORE has happened than had happened in all the long past of American labor. It requests a return to the status quo as of 1935, when the laws of history and the dictates of good sense make it apparent that such a return is impossible.

What has happened? The CIO's streamlined methods of organization based on INDUSTRIAL unionism have organized two million workers in industries where the AFL never could get to first base. It set into motion the greatest wave of organization in ALL industries.

But the AFL proposal reads as if these things had not happened. There is not a word about industrial unionism or organization of the unorganized. It was the need for these two policies that brought the CIO into existence and they have been more than justified. It has been demonstrated in life that there can be a united labor movement only on the basis of recognizing those two principles.

Any other kind of settlement of the CIO would be not only surrender, as Philip Murray said, but betrayal of labor's interests.

Labor must speak NOW. The unity negotiations will be resumed on Thursday in Washington. Let the AFL representatives know where AFL labor stands. Flood George M. Harrison, chairman of the AFL committee, with telegrams demanding that unity be achieved on the principles outlined by the CIO.

Do that NOW. Address all communications to George Harrison, Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C.

WHAT CAN SOCIALISM OFFER TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE?

By MICHAEL QUIN

A LOT OF people who are opposed to Socialism argue very correctly that life in such a society would NOT be perfect, that it would NOT solve all



EARL BROWDER
(General Secretary, Communist Party, U. S. A.)

problems, and that it would not usher in a life of uninterrupted bliss and ecstasy.

There is no use trying to argue with them, because they are right.

Even in the most perfect socialist society, a man could fall downstairs and break his neck, or spill soup down the front of his vest. Babies would still cry in the middle of the night and fathers walk the floor with them.

No matter how scrupulously we clean our houses, there will always be a certain amount of dust on the furniture. We can never hope to achieve the acme of perfection in housecleaning. But that is no reason why we should tolerate a dung heap in the middle of the parlor floor. We can always do the best we can.

The Private Property Bugaboo

Another popular argument is that under socialism everything belongs to everybody to be shared by everybody and that privacy and personal possession are done away with.

This, of course, is nonsense. Under socialism, a man can own his own toothbrush, his own clothes, his own home, his own automobile, his own books, or any other possessions that will contribute to his enjoyment of life.

The only things he can't own are those things which are necessary to the lives of everyone and are therefore, by their very nature, community property. Wheat fields, factories, railroads, mines, forests, steamship lines—these things would be socially owned. They would be operated, not for private profit, but for use—to furnish the needs and desires of the people.

The Impossibility Myth

This would be impossible, say the enemies of socialism. Without the private profit motive, the whole structure of society would collapse. Social ownership and operation would not work.

In making this argument, financiers in faraway private offices over estimate their function in society. All industries in America are already socially operated. Automobiles, for example are manufactured by thousands of mechanics, designers and craftsmen of every sort working in co-ordination with each other.

The only difference under socialism would be that they would receive higher wages, shorter hours, and would have democratic voice in the management of the industry. Transference of ownership from a private owner to the public would not interfere with production any more than transference from one private owner to another.

Such an argument is as much as to say that workmen would refuse to work if their wages were increased and their hours shortened.

What About the Lazy Fellows?

What would socialism do about the lazy fellows who absolutely

refuse to work? This is another rapping argument of those who snipe at socialism.

The answer is, nothing at all. (As a matter of fact, the lazy fellow who won't work is largely a myth. But just for the sake of argument, we'll answer the question anyhow.)

If a man refused to work, he simply would not eat. Under socialism, as production methods were improved, hours would be shortened and vacations lengthened in order to provide jobs for everyone. No man would be unemployed for the reason that he could not find a job. The aged, the sick, and the lame would be provided for by the State.

Who's Going to Direct All This?

But who is going to fix wages and determine hours? Sometimes in America today the trouble isn't that you can't find a job, but that the jobs are terrible. It isn't just a job that a man wants. He also wants to be assured of a living wage, decent hours, decent conditions, an opportunity to better himself, and all that.

Social operation of industry means democratic operation. Democracy under socialism extends through every branch of life. These things will be decided by the people themselves through their democratically elected councils.

The facilities and abundance exist today in America for providing prosperity, security, leisure, education and almost unlimited opportunity for all. Under socialism, poverty would be wiped from the surface of America.

Purchasing power would be placed in the hands of the people through wages. New factories and production units would have to be built to fill the increased demand.

How Do We Live Now?

The lives of the majority of the people in America today are worried, harassed, insecure, haunted by the spectre of poverty. They live perpetually in



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(Member Central Committee, Communist Party, U. S. A.)

debt or just one jump ahead of their bills. The violent ups and downs of the crazy capitalist system can vault them into temporary prosperity and, in the next moment, tear the ground from under their feet.

All this is unnecessary. There is absolutely no reason why life must be such a grinding mill of difficulties. Everything that is needed is here. Socialism is really a method of sensible and efficient management. There is no reason why we should claw and scratch at each other in a mad scramble for the necessities of life. There is more than enough for all.

Said President Roosevelt in his inaugural address on January 20, 1937: "In this nation I see tens of millions of its citizens—substantial part of its whole population—who at this moment are denied the great part of what the very lowest standards of today call the necessities of life."

"I see millions of families trying to live on incomes so meagre that the pall of family disaster hangs over them day

by day. I see millions whose daily lives in city and on farm continue under conditions labeled indecent by a so-called polite society half a century ago. I see millions denied educa-



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tion, recreation and the opportunity to better their lot and the lot of their children.

"I see millions lacking the means to buy the products of farm and factory and by their poverty denying work and productivity to many other millions."

"I see one third of a nation ill-housed, ill-clad, ill-nourished. Now isn't that a picture to contemplate!"

Communism Is Common Sense

We hear the voices of many officials and business men crying out against the supposed dangers of foreign invasion, and clamoring for bigger armies and bigger navies. But could any invading enemy inflict more hideous wounds on America than her own capitalist system has struck from within?

This same capitalist system, barely two hundred years old, has floundered from one catastrophe to another, through a nightmare of wars and depressions, each one more terrible than the one before, until today it stands on the brink of the worst disaster that has ever shaken the earth. War guns are booming in Europe and Asia while economists predict another and still greater economic depression.

The choice between Socialism and Capitalism is not a choice between two different ways of getting to the same place. The capitalist system has reached a point where it can no longer function and is spreading worldwide disaster in its dying convulsions.

Socialism is not a choice; it is a necessity.

How Make Change To Socialism

Today, honest thinking men who know nothing about socialism find themselves unwittingly advocating socialist ideas simply out of logic and common sense. The problems cited by President Roosevelt are problems which cannot be solved under the capitalist system. Even the remedies which Roosevelt advocates are semi-socialist in character. No matter how hard they try, seekers of solutions cannot avoid the implications of socialism.

What socialism can offer America is peace, prosperity, security, ease of mind, and a sane, logical solution to her problems.

But the more pressing question right now is how, in America, can we make the change from capitalism to socialism? You'd better subscribe to the Western Worker and read a little Marx, Engels and Browder on that subject.

(NOTE: The question may arise, why does this article refer to "socialism" and not "Communism"? The program of the Communist Party is to establish a socialist society in America. Most people take the words "Communism" and "Socialism" to mean the same. Strictly speaking, Communism is merely an advanced stage of Socialism, attainable only after Socialism has been established and has reached a high state of perfection.)

Opening New Frontiers For California's Youth

By FRANK CARLSON
(State Secretary, Young Communist League)

ON NOVEMBER 5, 6 and 7, some 150 young delegates will assemble in Los Angeles to constitute the first annual state convention of the Young Communist League of California.

The YCL of California comes to its first annual convention with an organization that is fast assuming mass proportions—and with its slogan of opening new frontiers for California's youth fast becoming the watchword of the youth of our state.

And no one who knows the history of the YCL will dare say that it hasn't come a long, long way.

Ultimate Aims of Our League

Starting in 1922 with the organization of the Young Workers League (forerunner of the YCL), its history has been one long, continuous uphill battle to achieve the type of youth organization described by the Sixth World Congress of the Young Communist International:

"All the vital interests of the younger generation of toilers, the most diversified, healthy requirements of the youth, and not abstract politics, should determine the substance and the life of the youth organizations. The work of these organizations should be adapted entirely to the desires and requirements of the youth themselves, so that while learning, organizing and fighting for the vital interests of the toiling classes, the youth would become educated in the spirit of the fight for freedom, for socialism, against reaction, against fascism, against imperialist war."

It certainly would not be correct to say that the Young Communist League already lives up to the above description. But it can definitely be said that the organization is rapidly shedding the sectarianism of its past and is becoming a real youth organization. During the last four months approximately 600 new members have been enrolled in the state. Alongside of the growth in membership we have witnessed a growth in the variety and number of interesting activities conducted by the YCL branches.

Reason for Our Confidence

As a result of this general improvement in the life of the organization, the Young Communist League of California comes to its first annual convention fully confident that out of it will come the where-with-all to complete the process of reconstruction and really build an organization of thousands.

Is there a basis for such confidence? Anyone even slightly acquainted with what is taking place among the youth of our state would answer that question in the affirmative. Never before have we seen such wide acceptance of progressive policies and organization as we see today among the most varied sections of California's youth.

The growing trend towards unity in the fight for economic security, peace and democracy, the great CIO unionization drive, the various movements for independent political action—all of this is finding vivid expression among the youth. Tens of thousands of young workers have come into the unions for the first time, especially in the basic industries such as auto, steel, marine, aircraft and agriculture. Thousands of members of the powerful religious, fraternal and recreational youth organizations have begun to express themselves and to change the traditional "non-partisan" policies of their organizations in the direction of making these organizations forces for progress.

Only three weeks ago, in the Chambers of the L. A. City Council the representatives of 71 of the most important youth organizations met for the purpose of mapping out plans and creating an apparatus for conducting a survey of conditions among the youth of L. A. Among the organizations represented were: the Catholic Youth Organization and the United Catholic Youth Clubs, the various Protestant denominations, the Boy Scouts, Y's, CIO and AFL Central Councils, the Young Democrats, Young Republicans, etc. The Young Communist League of course was officially represented.

These developments, together with the unity movements that are developing among the students, and the broad all-inclusive movement for the convening of a model state youth legislature to draft progressive youth legislation—these should convince even the most skeptical that the youth are on the march. The young people of California are beginning to tackle the problem of opening new frontiers for themselves through united effort.

Key Question Before the Convention

The Young Communist League more than any other organization, has worked to unite the young generation in defense of its interests. While continuing with this work, the League must, more than ever before, place before itself the task of building its own organization.

The red thread that will run throughout the entire convention, and the red thread that must characterize the work of every YCL branch and leading committee after the convention will be precisely this task of completing the reconstruction of the organization and building it on a really mass scale.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Is Disgusted by Pope's Policy Toward Spain

Editor Western Worker:

As I write I am hearing, over the radio, that the Vatican has recognized the insurgent government of General Franco. Why do they do this? Have they forgotten the Sixth Commandment, which says, "Thou shalt not kill?"

Have they forgotten the murders of women and children in the holy city of Guernica? No! A thousand times no! They have not forgotten. This just proves that the Vatican has allied, and has always been allied, with the fascists.

If this is the attitude of the leaders of religion then religion will be short-lived in the world.

I just had to get some of this out of my system, so I am writing the Western Worker about it.

T. P. Westwood, Larsen County.

Wants More General News, Less Labor Reportage

Editor Western Worker:

The writer of this letter is a subscriber of the W. W. and will continue to subscribe as long as I can afford to do so. Am more than 40 years in the labor movement. I believe I am able to judge when one of our publications is interesting, not only to myself but to others.

For this reason I wish to tell you the W. W. is a hard paper to read. Very few can have the patience to go through such a mass of trade union reportage as you are giving us. Why not give us more general news of a political character of U. S. and Europe. Why not give us something on writing, on literature, theatre, movies and why not a short story or a poem—and a few jokes?

S. E. Berkeley.

SEEING RED with MIKE QUIN.

IF WE HAD three hands we could blow our nose while playing the piano. But things just aren't that way. So once in a while we have to stop the music and take out our handkerchief.

The facts remain, no matter how many IFS and BUTS we bewilder our minds with. We'll either conform our thinking to the facts or our brains will go rattling in a vacuum.

It was never more important to think clearly than it is now. And thinking clearly is no cinch.

The problems we have to consider are neither difficult nor complicated. That isn't where the trouble comes in. The catch is this: Literally thousands of people have their brains tied in knots of anxiety today simply because they are trying to figure things out sensibly and logically.

But events are not following any rules of either sense or logic. At least, not those rules of sense and logic we are accustomed to judging things by.

We Can't Cope With Audacity

Nothing in our training or experience seems to have equipped us to cope with audacity. It is only fair to admit that a large part of the public mind has been taken by surprise during the last year or so and is only gradually catching up to a realization of what is going on.

TAKE THIS, for example. In the lobby of an elegant downtown office is a potted palm tree. If anyone tried to sneak in and steal it in the middle of the night, one of the most expensive burglar alarm systems in the city would start clanging. Police would come speeding in radio cars and the thief wouldn't get a block away with it.

But suppose someone walked in calm as you please one afternoon, said "How do you do" to the clerk, elbowed his way through the crowd, picked up the potted palm, and started out with it, saying "Excuse me" and "Pardon me," as he made his way toward the door. Like as not someone would hold the door open for him.

He would be a mile away before the clerk would turn to one of his fellows and say, "Who was that guy? Was he supposed to take that palm? I never saw him before."

And the other would say, "I don't know. Maybe he's from the florist's. Maybe it's being sent back."

Nobody would expect a man to walk into the crowded lobby of an office and steal a palm tree in broad daylight. That isn't sensible. That isn't logical. The brain doesn't grasp it. The mind doesn't gear to it. It's beyond normal imagination.

And yet William Green and the executive committee have walked away with the potted palm of the AFL and are already ten miles up the road with it.

Unions vote to go to CIO by huge majorities and the AFL chiefs picket them and declare them unfair. Who ever heard of such business? The mind isn't prepared to grasp such bare-faced idiocy.

Japan has walked in, picked up the potted palm of China, and is saying, "Excuse, please," all the way to the door.

Germany and Italy together are trying to walk off with the potted palm of Spain and are bickering over who gets the pot and who gets the palm before they've even got it out the door.

THE NEWSPAPERS of America are trying to get away with a virgin forest of coconut palms. Daily we read, "the public thinks this," and "the public says that," and "the public demands the other thing," when nobody has thought or said or demanded any such thing except the sixty American snob families who own the press and everything else in America excepting our appetites.

The old, conservative standards of sense and logic will never do. You might as well try to pin a baby's diaper on an elephant. Not traditional logic, but a greed and audacity that stops at nothing in guiding these mad dogs of history. Take the words "incredible" and "impossible" and throw them out of your vocabulary. You're dealing with maniacs amuck. Don't try to figure out what you would do in such circumstances in order to understand them. Figure out what an epidemic of bubonic plague would do. Then you will understand their mental processes.

BEHIND the SCREEN with DON BLACKWELL

Hollywood

REACTIONARY George Jean Nathan, recently elected president of the New York Dramatic Critics' Circle, says in a current issue of Esquire: "Hollywood impresses me as ten million dollars' worth of intricate and highly ingenious machinery functioning elaborately to put skin on baloney" . . . A scurrilous attack which Hollywood liberals who are doing serious work, resent, and who point to such pictures as "The Informer," "Dead End," "Postmer," "Zola" and many other fine pictures as proof that all the "baloney" comes from Nathan . . . Sam Goldwyn's secretary asked her employer if she could destroy a lot of old letters that were cluttering up the office. "Okay," replied Sam, "but have copies made of them first!"

THE HEARING of the Screen Writers Guild closed last week amid a lot of red baiting and other stupidities on the part of the Screen Playwrights. . . The gist of the testimony of the latter's witnesses was that the Guild was eastern-dominated and was double-crossed when it failed to get immediate autonomy from the Authors' League of America. This producer-inspired issue which the Screen Playwrights have given as their main reason for knifing the Guild, was never really an issue at all. The AFL has never refused to give the screen writers independence of action. Proof of this fact is that the League will shortly approve an amendment to its constitution which will give the Guild the complete autonomy it asks.

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KENNETH THOMPSON (who does a good job of acting as executive secretary of the Screen Actors Guild, is being considered to replace Frank Gilmore as head of the Actors Equity Association.

Such a move would be considered a real blow against honest trade unionism by progressives who have watched Thompson slip from the role of a liberal to that of a suave and dangerous reactionary. Last year at the Tampa convention of the AFL, he approved the corrupt policies of the Council 100 per cent and repeated his slick performance this year at the Denver convention. Now he is endeavoring to commit the Screen Actors Guild to a policy that threatens the unity of the Inter-Talent Council, which represents actors, writers and directors, by attempting to bar other independent guild from joining, on the one hand, while singing the praises of the gangster-controlled IATSE on the other. The fat pickings of many of the AFL leaders have evidently filled him with ambition.

From Main Street to Nuremberg

Scene From 'Baltic Deputy'



PICTURE shows the old scientist, Professor Polzhayev, played by Cherkassov, being greeted as he enters the chamber of the Soviets to which he had been elected as deputy by the sailors of the Baltic Fleet. The film, said to be one of the best ever turned out by Soviet producers, is currently playing at the Clay International Theater in San Francisco, and will open at the Grand Theater in Los Angeles November 5.

Rejoicing Fills Soviet Union

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cent or better than the norm, in production.

Here I think it would be good to diverge, for the moment, to say a few words about the full significance of Stakhanovism. Only now is it all becoming clear to foreigners like myself.

I used to hear it sneered at back home as nothing more than the speedup with a Russian fuss made over it. Notwithstanding that this "speedup" came at the initiative and as a contribution of the workers, and its effect was to lighten work, not to make it more of a grind, and that it brought more wages to the workers, and lower prices to their consumer comrades and more social benefits to all, skeptics still gave it the wink and insisted that it was still speedup. Even to comrades and sympathizers in the states it seemed no more than a healthy progress in technique.

But the Stakhanovites have not been wasted as pace setters in the usual sense of the word. They have helped jack up production norms, but they have become pace setters in a more important sense. They are providing examples and models of the new Soviet humanity. They have justified the faith of the founders of Socialism in the creativeness of workers in the immense human riches that are untold by universal opportunities for self fulfillment.

They are being advanced rapidly. Thousands of Stakhanovites have become industrial heads; factory heads, department heads; other thousands are in technical schools, equipping themselves for the positions of responsibility for which, as Stakhanovites, they have shown their fitness. And this in a year in which the nation had to purge itself of Trotskyites and other working class enemies who had been stimulated to new dope-dreams of counter-revolution by the activities of the Fascists. Had it not been for this magnificent, 20th anniversary gift of the Socialist workers, wrecking and diversion could have been infinitely more destructive than it was.

Examples Numerous

Now for examples. They are to be found everywhere in the Soviet Union. I have already mentioned the 14,000 Stakhanovites in the Donbas coalfields. There is a big shipyard on the Black Sea. It bears the name of Andre Marty, the seaman who organized a mutiny in the French interventionist fleet, one of the decisive acts in the movement of the world proletariat in spiking intervention and helping defend the great Socialist Revolution from its world of enemies without and within.

On August 1st of this year there were 873 Stakhanovites at the Andre Marty yards; by October 1st their number had risen to 2020. Or take the case of Anna Tkacheva, an engine checker in a clothmill in Voronezh. A Stakhanovite herself, she was determined to make the majority of workers in her shift Stakhanovites. By getting a 100 per cent attendance at technical study circles 48 of the 60 women in the shift became Stakhanovites.

In remote Siberia the fifth section of the Kirov mine was able to report a hundred per cent Stakhanovite shop. In the chief Moscow department store where, because of the constantly rising living standard of the workers, every day is like a sale day at an American department store, department heads have been made factory, Tamara Kruglova provided 2200 tubes of tooth paste

per day instead of the 600 called for by the plan.

World Records Set

In the Stalin Auto plant many departments got a month's output in less than three weeks' work. Lukyanov, a brick-crime operator from Orenburg prov-

Isidor Schneider, American poet, critic and novelist, is at present in Moscow as editor of the English edition of International of Literature. His most recently published works are "From the Kingdom of Necessity," a novel, and "Comrade-Mister," a volume of poetry.

ince in the Ural region reaped close to 9000 acres this season, a world record. Oseppovich, a Soviet lumberjack, daily cuts 20 to 25 cubic meters, four times the quota.

The Moscow subway workers raised the number of their Stakhanovites to 758, adding them at the rate of twenty a month. Forty-six per cent of the workers overfulfilled their quotas by 50 per cent or more. At the Kaganovich projector plant, the mechanic Leontyev overfulfilled his daily program by 850 per cent. These examples could be extended page after page. Every factory can furnish them.

Now, take this impulse, and try to see it operating in fields where, to bourgeois intellectual minds, it hadn't ought to—in the cultural life of the nation. Every magazine is preparing huge specially illustrated issues, and working double shifts to do it, as I can testify from my own work on the magazine, International Literature, which is published here.

Even Aesthetes Produce

Writers are working by plan. How horrible! say the aesthetes. But from samples already at hand, some of the best Soviet writing in recent years will have been produced to plan (individually set) and carried through in the same spirit of pride and devotion that have animated the Soviet workers.

And Soviet artists, collaborating with Soviet poets, are put-

ting out hundreds of designs and rhymes for posters, post cards and albums whose issues will run into millions. Theaters, films, music studios, museums, every cultural activity you can think of, has been working the same way, from the still solitary artist to the largest collective.

In case you want to know about the fireworks and the bunting, there will be plenty of it. The Soviet Union has brought the public festival to the dignity and beauty that it might be expected to have in a Socialist society. The arrangements are in the hands of the greatest Soviet artists. Those who are fortunate enough to view them will see strange and beautiful paintings in which marching masses supply mobile colors against rich backgrounds, and the whole within acrewide frames. It can be confidently said that the world has never seen its equal.

WORKERS' HEALTH

Worker Asks Advice On Common Ill

By DR. FRANKLIN BISSELL

Dear Doctor:
I read in the Daily Worker about "Prontsill" and wonder if it would help me. I must get up nights to pass water. I am 72 years old.
F.H. Hollywood

Answer: There are many conditions that can cause "getting up nights." The most common in an elderly man is an enlargement of the prostate gland. Other causes may be kidney disease, glandular disease, bladder disease, diabetes, other prostate conditions, narrowing of the urethra (urine passageway). You should have a doctor determine the cause and treat the cause. Prontsill is a new drug which helps the body fight against certain germs, among them being the "streptococcus" which causes most infections. It should be used only by a doctor if he thinks it advisable.

Champion Farm Girl of the U. S.



NELLIE GOEDHART of Norwalk, California, 16-year-old winner of first honors in the final of the American Farm Girl championship contest at the Los Angeles County Fair.

Art and Music Weston's Show Of Photography Worth Seeing

By GEORGE HITCHCOCK

Edward Weston, California's most noted photographer, is now showing a retrospective exhibition of his work at the Museum of Art in the San Francisco civic center.

The show includes representative pieces from Mr. Weston's work during the past dozen years and concludes with some of the more recent studies taken while on a Guggenheim Foundation fellowship in the desert country of Southern California and Arizona.

In spite of the wide range of years covered the photographs bear the unmistakable Westonian imprint throughout. The consistent devotion to a critical approach to his subjects thus gives Mr. Weston's show a homogeneity both in purpose and in result which most such shows lack.

Expert Craftsmanship

Weston has persistently attacked the problem of form and structure in photography. His studies are objective in the extreme yet constantly reveal the search for continuity in nature. His studies of sand formations, wood-whorls and the linear proportions of the body are well known. There are few, if any, other photographers as expert in presenting mass and curve in their relation to nature.

This ever-present search for the significant forms in nature is very inspiring. Weston spends no time on the irrelevant or sensational in nature; in the sense in which Marx speaks of nature beyond the surface in nature. Weston's camera penetrates the interfused meaning of forms.

In a way it is to be regretted that Weston has not turned his lens upon the still more complex inter-relation of human beings in the society in which they live. His mind is not in the least sentimental or anecdotal in this respect. He would be doing this society a great service if he applied the same keen yet critical objectivity to it that he has to nature.

Nevertheless, the show is very satisfying and certainly well worth seeing.

S. F. Volunteers to Speak About Spain

SAN FRANCISCO — Frank Martin, first of 300 San Francisco volunteers to return from Spain, was scheduled to speak Wednesday night, Nov. 3, at a mass meeting of waterfront workers at Union Recreation Center, 32 Day St. Z. R. Brown, secretary-treasurer of the Maritime Federation district council will preside. Attorney George Andersen will speak on behalf of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

Dollar Liners Are Called Fire Traps

SAN FRANCISCO—Because a number of its ships are "floating Morro Castles," the Dollar Line has been ordered by the Department of Commerce to carry no more than 12 passengers on these ships until fire at sea hazards are eliminated, the Western Worker learned last Monday.

The President Harrison, with a capacity of 160 passengers, had 60 booked passengers but was compelled to carry only 12. Other Dollar ships believed affected are the President Adams, President Garfield, President Hayes, President Van Buren, President Polk and President Lincoln.

"Too Busy"

When the Western Worker called up the Department of Commerce office here for official confirmation, Capt. Fisher was "too busy" to take a telephone call, an underling reported.

Another subordinate in the office stated he would rather Capt. Fisher or the Dollar Line made the statement.

The Dollar Line port captain stated the line had cut the President Harrison passenger list to 12 of its own accord, and that "all ships of all lines" were having safety equipment installed. He said the Department of Commerce had not, to his knowledge, issued orders in this respect.

Broadcasting of Labor Limericks Proves Popular

SAN FRANCISCO—"Labor on the March," the newspaper of the air now being broadcast over KGGC by the Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union 1-10, got quick response on its limerick contest. J.C.C., the first winner, wrote:

The teamsters are greatly distressed,
They're assessed and assessed and assessed,
So that Beck and his goons
Can have golden spoons,
And smash unions all over the West.

One dollar is paid for each winning limerick broadcast over the air. Mail them to "Labor on the March," station KGGC, San Francisco. The program is on five nights weekly, Monday through Friday, 6:30 to 6:45 p.m.

THAT DAILY PAPER

San Mateo Over
First L. A. Lifer
Coffin Corner

SAN MATEO WENT OVER THE TOP on Monday morning, Oct. 25, at 10:32 a. m. This of course, puts SAN MATEO out in front for the big State Awards for the best work in the Drive. And instead of slackening up, SAN MATEO plans indicate that they are out to set an all-time record for fund raising.

MOST OF YOU by now know something of the saga of San Mateo. Beginning on Friday, October 22nd, San Mateo county raised over one-fourth of its full quota in exactly five days! This was done entirely by individual donations and collections, no affairs being held during the five days. You'll read all about it in the "Western" in a few days, or just as soon as the San Mateo comrades catch their breath.

Slip-Up

LOOKS LIKE AL. WARD, Frisco Industrial Section Organizer, put his foot into something when he sent a telegram to AL. LANE, L. A. Industrial Section Organizer. It seems that the two sections have a bet of \$50.00 between them on the Drive. WARD suggested in his letter that the L. A. Section might as well send the fifty on up to Frisco, as the northern section had already raised over 56 per cent of quota and L. A. had done very little.

But there's many a slip . . . and L. A. Industrial seems to have slipped one over. They had, at the time of AL's letter, 55.4 per cent and plan on finishing their \$2,500 quota by November 7th.

And is Comrade Ward worried?

MINNIE GOLDSTEIN, Drive Director for Eastern L. A., became the first Angeleno to become a LIFER on October 16th. Now, she's out to raise an additional \$50. Worth earning, wasn't it, MINNIE? The DAILY WESTERN every issue for the rest of your life, no matter where you go. Worth living a hell of a long time for, huh?

Why Not Bill?

MEET BILL SHERWOOD of the San Fernando Section in L. A. BILL copped third honors in



he Sub Drive and somehow, things just ain't gonna be right unless BILL joins the magic circle of "LIFERS." We don't know what he's doing about it but we hope he intends to get hat life sub. C'mon BILL, let's hear from you!

COMRADE ELSIE of Eureka donated her silverware to be drive and it was raffled recently. (How can a guy add anything to an item like this?)

LAST WEEK we warned all Counties that Coffin Corner would "git" 'em if they didn't vatch out. All counties below 5 per cent of their quotas would find themselves resting peacefully here in the marble orchard.

So today, we look at the Drive Standings and find that there isn't a single little County that's turned up its toes and is ready to be measured for a wooden kimonos.

C-C-C-curses! But look out! Next week Coffin Corner'll grab EVERY county under 25 per cent. And right now, we've got the grave diggers busy digging deep, dark holes for a number of prospective victims. Run, little Counties, run!

Los Angeles

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Terrified Council Repeals Picket Ban

United Labor Back- ing for Nominee Scares Tories

SANTA MONICA — Jittery over the entrance into the Dec. 7 councilmanic election race of the first honest labor candidate ever to run for the office in this city, the city council in a surprise move repealed the anti-picketing ordinance which was just as suddenly enacted several months ago during the Douglas Aircraft Strike.

The move was prompted by the filing for the office of commissioner of finance, now held by the labor-hating T.D. Plumer, by C. G. O'Brien, newly elected president of the local Central Labor Council and also president of the Santa Monica Typographical Union.

Has United Labor Backing O'Brien is in the commission-ship race with the solid backing of the 27 unions making up the AFL Central Labor Council, every local CIO union and the united progressive and liberal elements outside organized labor.

The city council's jitteriness is indicated by its action in hurriedly repealing the anti-picketing ordinance the day following O'Brien's announcement of his candidacy.

That labor will not be duped by such cheap political trickery is indicated by statements by numerous union members, both AFL and CIO. They call attention to the fact that the ordinance could be enacted again just as speedily as it was repealed, and no doubt would be at any time occasion required.

Move Branded Demagoguery In a weak attempt at glossing over the council's action, Mayor E. S. Gillette said: "Harmony now exists in Santa Monica labor circles; legality of certain parts of the ordinance is very questionable, and the situation is covered by provisions of the state law."

Gillette further stated that "the courts have ruled that peaceful picketing cannot be prohibited, and that state laws prevent disturbing the public peace or obstructing traffic."

For the first time in this city, union labor and all progressives are joined in united political action to elect a reactionary officeholder and elect a candidate of their own choosing. A precinct apparatus is being set up to further O'Brien's campaign for the office of commissioner of finance.

Firemen Demanding CIO Vote in Pedro

SAN PEDRO—Demanding the right to vote on CIO affiliation, over 90 rank and file members of the Marine Firemen last week signed a petition calling for immediate issuance of ballots. The petition stated:

"We, the undersigned full book members, in good standing in the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders & Wipers Assn. of the Pacific Coast, San Pedro branch, do hereby wish to go on record demanding that the ballots now being issued in the Port of San Francisco on the question of CIO affiliation and national unity, be made available to the members of this branch of the MFO&W to express a voice on these important issues."

Fitzgerald Wins SAN FRANCISCO — Robert Fitzgerald, paroled victim of the Modesto Standard Oil frame-up, is again performing his duties as secretary pro tem of the Marine Firemen, following issuance of a temporary injunction by Superior Judge Robinson last week, preventing the Parole Board from interfering.

The Parole Board had ordered Fitzgerald to resign or return to San Quentin for two years. Over 1000 CIO ballots have been issued here to the membership. West Coast balloting committees are handling the vote in New Orleans, Baltimore and New York.

ILWU Counters Beck's Threat

SEATTLE—Threats by Dave Beck, Teamster czar, demanding workers in five warehouses leave the CIO and join the Teamsters, were countered by the Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union here by filing a petition with the National Labor Relations Board for a consent election in the five plants.

Speaking at a CIO mass meeting last week, Harry Bridges, Pacific Coast CIO director, declared: "We'll have a fight on our hands next week with Dave Beck, but in the end we'll win."

Farm Group in CIO

MEMPHIS, Tenn.—The Southern Tenant Farmers Union at a special convention here voted to affiliate with the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing & Allied Workers of America, CIO affiliate.

Saved by a Loyalist Victory



TWO SPANISH women in Belchite shown gathering up their remaining possessions after the battle for the city which ended in a Loyalist victory. They owe both lives and property to the timely arrival of the Loyalists.

Thugs Attack 'Western' Agents

LOS ANGELES — With "Slaughterhouse" Darling, chief Central Labor Council thug standing on the sidelines, AFL "goons" beat up three Western Worker Red Builders last Friday night in front of the Central Labor Council, 583 Maple Avenue.

Y. Arsen, Joe Tolley, and Walter Poser were the three men who fell victims to the gangster tactics of the local AFL officials. Red Builders selling "Westerns" at the Labor Temple the week previous had been warned that they would have their "heads knocked off" if they didn't stop.

Despite their experience at the hands of Council Secretary J. W. Buzzell's stooges, all four of the Red Builders declared that they will continue to sell the paper at the Council.

AFL Can't Smash CIO By Boycott, Declares Schmidt

SAN FRANCISCO—"The AFL cannot smash the CIO," declared Henry Schmidt, president of Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Local 1-10, last Monday, citing the attempted boycott of the Teamsters Union and Brotherhood of Carpenters officials against CIO lumber.

"It can, if the AFL union men let the officials continue as they are doing, batter themselves to pieces against the stone wall of CIO."

Last week the AFL officials attempted to picket and prevent unloading of the freighter W. R. Chamberlain Jr. in Wilmington because it carried CIO Lumber from Portland, but failed.

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Lock-out Is Threatened

OAKLAND—A general lock-out of department store clerks was threatened by the Retail Merchants' Protective Assn. here, when members of Retail Clerks Local 47, by a 10 to 1 vote Friday and Saturday, authorized a strike following break down of negotiations.

Main issues are 'classification of employees according to work done, wages, and the union shop. A flat 10 per cent increase offered by the employers was rejected.

One Store at a Time

The strike vote vested full authority in the union's executive committee, appointed by K. N. Griffin, international representative, after he suspended the local union's charter last month. The union will strike the stores one at a time, beginning with the smaller stores, Griffin said.

Lockout Threat

The Retail Merchants' Assn. countered with a halfpage newspaper ad saying it would close down all department stores in the East Bay should any of them be struck.

A last attempt for a settlement will be made by Walter Mathewson, Federal labor conciliator, and John Hassler, Oak and City Manager, at request of the union it was announced.

Reluctant Sanction

The AFL Central Labor Council's executive committee reluctantly sanctioned the strike after previously refusing support.

Charles Real, secretary-treasurer of Teamsters Union, Local 70, promised backing of "his"

California C. P. Wins Over Illinois

SAN FRANCISCO—The California state organization of the Communist Party reported this week that it had attained a dues payment of 4,510 in October, reaching the goal it set for Nov. 7.

In a special wire to Earl Browder, national secretary of the party, William Schneiderman, state secretary, wrote:

"We are happy to report to our Central Committee that we have reached a dues paying membership of 4,510 in October which is our control task for Nov. 7. We expect to reach 900 new recruits by Nov. 7, ending the two-month period for which our control task was 1,000. We believe this still keeps us ahead of Chicago. Our goal is 5,000 dues paying members by Jan. 1."

Simultaneously Schneiderman and Anita Whitney, state chairman, issued a statement to the Party membership in which they said:

"It is our hope that this achievement is but a start, that during November every party member will work to retain this success and will begin at once to fulfill our January 1 goal of 5,000 dues paying and registered members in California."

teamsters, also. Although the rank and file of Local 70 does not recognize Real's authority, they have previously declared that they would support any bona fide strike.

The clerks are seeking a \$20 to \$40 weekly minimum.

More Italians Due in Spain

LONDON—That Mussolini is planning the shipment of from 50,000 to 80,000 new troops to Spain was revealed here in dispatches emanating directly from high fascist leaders in Rome.

In the wake of the British government maneuver to stall indefinitely any international joint action for removal of troops, Rome authoritative spokesmen announced plans for intervention "in a big way" and said that a full division of black shirt legionnaires is being held in readiness for dispatch to Spain.

Likelihood that four army divisions had already been sent to Spain in the past few days appeared when the same fascist spokesmen said that this number had been sent to Libya North Africa.

The announcements coincided with widely publicized boasts of General Francisco Franco in Spain that "his" armies would soon launch an offensive against the Loyalists in Aragon and at Madrid.

Tories Laid Basis

The British proposal to delay demands for withdrawal of troops from Spain pending the outcome of a neutral military commission's investigation was the immediate predecessor of the plans for increased fascist aggression.

Possibility that France would break from its policy of adherence to the program outlined by Great Britain and take independent action including the opening of its Pyrenees border

'Douglas Strikers Orderly'—Guard

Testimony Damages Frame-up Case for Prosecution Against Unionists

LOS ANGELES—Under cross-examination by Defense Attorney James Carter, A. C. Marco, chief of guards at the Douglas aircraft plant and prosecution witness, was forced to admit that the 400 strikers were orderly and quiet, in testimony at trial of 24 of the strikers on framed charges of "conspiracy to trespass and forcible entry."

Said Marco:

"Up to the time the sheriffs arrived, the boys were pretty quiet. . . .

"I never saw anyone commit any bodily assault. . . .

"I never saw anyone commit any damage to property. . . .

"Up to the time the sheriffs came, the strikers conducted themselves in an orderly manner."

Marco further stated that the strikers observed all smoking rules, and swept up the portion of the four-block long plant that they occupied.

Earlier, Donald Douglas, aircraft company president, took the stand and termed the strike last spring a "revolution" and a "riot," despite the fact that cross-examination forced him to admit that no violence or damage had occurred.

The trial was continued until Tuesday, November 3, at 2 p. m., Superior Judge Ambrose's court.

California Honors the 20th Anniversary of the RUSSIAN REVOLUTION

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AUSPICES: COMMUNIST PARTY

L. A. Laundry Workers Put
Crimp in Discrimination

WORKERS' CORRESPONDENCE

Workers Accuse Tuolumne
County Lumber Companies

L. A. Lathers in Stand for Unity

Propose Industrial
Unions in Major
Industries

By a Bldg. Trades Worker
LOS ANGELES—A stirring demand for unity in the labor movement was made by Lathers' Local 42 (AFL) of Los Angeles at their regular meeting Friday, October 22.

Brother J. M. Lane introduced a resolution calling for the unity conference of AFL and CIO leaders now meeting in Washington, D. C., to put personal differences aside and merge the two great labor organizations into one unified whole with craft unions for those industries where they are most efficient and industrial unions in all mass production industries.

Adopted Unanimously
Several members questioned the right of Local 42 to send such a resolution to the conference, and one brother asked to have it read at three meetings before being acted on, but Brother John Rafferty, chairman, ruled his request out of order.

In no case was the resolution itself attacked. It was finally passed unanimously with the added proviso that the local's delegates to the Central Labor Council and the Building Trades Council be instructed to ask these bodies to act favorably on the resolution.

Neil Haggerty, president of the California State Federation of Labor, is one of the delegates to the Central Labor Council from Local 42.

Text of Resolution
Whereas: A unity conference between the AFL and the Committee for Industrial Organization will be held in Washington, D. C., October 25 and 26;

Whereas: Unity in the labor movement would be of enormous benefit to labor because it would end the present costly war on labor against labor, and

Whereas: Certain concessions will have to be made by both sides in order to achieve unity, now, therefore:

Be it resolved: That the conference remain in session until it has achieved unity, allowing no difficulties to sway it from its course and

Ask Unity Convention
Be it further resolved: That the basic foundation of each organization be allowed in the new unified labor movement—that is, craft unions in craft trades such as the building trades and industrial unions in mass production industries, and

Be it further resolved: That personalities of the leaders should be set aside and a new convention with democratically elected delegates from all unions should be held, which will elect the leadership for the new, unified labor movement.

WPA Foreman Is
Ousted By San
Diego Alliance

By a WPA Worker
SAN DIEGO—A WPA foreman named La Paz on Project No. 1314 was removed by his workers with the help of the Workers Alliance and an excellent man put in his place.

The reasons for ousting the foreman were discrimination, lack of concern for the men, favoritism and separating of men by race. His discrimination was directed mostly against Negro and Mexican workers.

One example of La Paz's attitude occurred when he worked out of a six hour day, and when they asked when they were supposed to eat, he said, "You'll eat when I tell you to."

Such grievances were all successfully adjusted by the Workers Alliance.

Given Another Chance
Six or seven months ago Mr. Fling of the Harbor Dept. said that he would remove La Paz, but the Alliance said, "Give him another chance, as we are not so interested in getting rid of a foreman as we are of getting him to recognize the workers' rights."

Things continued until they became intolerable. Over half of La Paz's men went to WPA offices with their Alliance Job Steward.

I understand La Paz was offered a job as a laborer and upon turning it down was taken off WPA completely.

Textile Workers to See
Chicago Massacre Film

SAN FRANCISCO—The film showing the Chicago Massacre of striking steel workers, will be screened at the next meeting of Local 71, United Textile Workers, on Tuesday, November 8, 8 p.m., at 149 Mason St.

Worker Says Tory Editor Put on the Spot by 'Western'

Confident Oroville Will Be a Good City
to Support the New Daily
Western Worker

By a Worker Correspondent
OROVILLE, Butte County—This editorial which I am sending you from the Mercury-Register will give you comrades some idea of what effect the Western Worker has upon a fascist editor.

(The editorial in question is a red-baiting attack on the CIO and the Communist Party.)

CIO UNIONISTS WIN FIGHT ON JIM-CROWISM

LA Laundry Workers Halt
Discrimination in
Lunch Room

By a Laundry Worker
LOS ANGELES—The chairman of the Laundry Workers Union fights discrimination. In our plant where many of the workers belong to the Laundry Workers Industrial Union, Local 185, CIO, also works one Negro worker. Last week he went to a nearby lunch-room to get something to eat. The management refused to serve him.

This discrimination drew the attention of a few of the more active members of the union, who began to talk to the rest of the workers to protest against such discrimination by boycotting the place.

The next day the chairman of the union, who happens to work in the same plant, took the Negro worker with him and went to eat in the same place. The woman, apparently noticing the uproar that her action created, decided to change her view and apologized for her action.

And so due to the quick action of a group of workers, a lesson in workers' solidarity has been given, and many workers will probably learn to what extent their solidarity could lead.

CIO Members Help Glendale Truckers

By a Teamster
GLENDALE CIO workers provide real friends of line drivers. After driving for 15 or more hours, hauling cement or other heavy freight, drivers must often unload 15 to 20 tons unaided.

But when he arrives at the docks or a CIO warehouse, a driver is told: "Your job is done—eat breakfast."

For months Teamo officials here have supposedly worked hard to better working conditions of line drivers but the only help has come from CIO brothers.

WPA Negligence May Cripple L. A. Youth for Life

By a WPA Worker
LOS ANGELES—Negligence of the WPA foremen on the La Brea Storm Drain Project, together with the stupidity on the part of the County Hospital officials, are to blame for a Los Angeles youth being crippled, perhaps for life.

Ordered into a ditch containing about two feet of water, Mr. Gracia, after several days at this task, was confined to bed with his legs paralyzed.

Further negligence on the part of doctors sent out to Gracia's home by the State Relief Administration contributed to the final outcome of this tragedy.

Instead of sending this man to a hospital immediately, the relief doctors tried to cure him at home. After he got worse he was taken to the General Hospital.

After a short stay he was sent home before he was entirely cured. The Workers Alliance forced the County Hospital to take him in again recently, but after staying in a cold hallway for three days he was sent home again.

Gracia has a wife and two children. Both he and his wife are members of Local 30 of the Workers Alliance.

Put these Tory editors on the spot (in the Western Worker) with the masses of people in their surrounding territory. With the crisis growing on all fronts and abroad throughout the capitalist world these fascist editors grow more and more afraid of exposures, for in these critical times they themselves don't know how long they can exist among the masses of democratic-minded people.

Role of Fascists
We know the role of fascists and Trotskyites. They will strike at any time against democracy and the defenders of democracy when they see a chance.

Oroville is somewhat in a still stage now, but the people are turning more and more to our way of thinking. Only a person who lives and mingles with these people would notice the change of mind taking place. And our papers have their deep influence. I can see very plainly that in a few more months Oroville will be a real good city to support our press.

Up to date I haven't had time to visit my connections for Daily Western Worker funds. My work is stacked high upon me till all my time is taken. But as soon as bad weather starts then I will take time off to do my collecting. I am sure we will raise our quota. For myself I am making my hay while the sun shines.

Need Open Forum
The article on "Browder Asks Associated Press to Correct Distortion of his Pittsburgh speech," has made another clique around here sit up and take notice. This article deals with a subject on which I had an argument with a group of small business people. One of the merchants said that what Oroville needed was an open forum. There all sides could be discussed and the general public could get the benefit of it.

We here must see to it that we develop a demand for an open forum. This we can do only if we continue our work among these people. Step by step we will gain our points.

I haven't had a chance to buy a postal money order to pay for the last 50 copies of the Western Worker. But this week I think I will find time to go to the post office before closing time.

Woolf Re-elected As Alaska Cannery Union's President

By an Alaska Canner
SAN FRANCISCO—In the new elections of the Alaska Cannery Workers Union, overwhelming vote was cast in favor of retaining George Woolf, progressive president. Final tabulations show that of 1000 odd votes cast, Woolf received 960, as against 35 for his opponent, Juan Emanuelis. This is an indictment of the slanderous and disruptive statements made in an attempt to discredit Brother Woolf.

Ramon Aguirre received a 2 to 1 majority over Edward Colman for the office of secretary.

Japanese Worker Elected
Elected to fill the vice president's chair was Goso Yoneda, a Japanese worker, which is an indictment of the ridiculous statements of discrimination made by the phoney dual AFL union, which insulted the intelligence of the Japanese workers by asking them to subscribe to a dues paying racket.

Re-elected were Victor Mendez, John Rush and John Soria on the executive board, and Henry Valli on the Board of Trustees. All of them are progressives.

Installation of the new CIO charter will take place at the next membership meeting on the second Sunday in November.

The newly elected officers will be sworn in at this time.

Tell the "Western" What Is
Happening in Your Town,
Shop or Neighborhood!

Auto Workers' Medical Bureau



DR. MAX WERSHOW making a blood pressure test at the Medical Research Institute established by the United Automobile Workers of America in Detroit. If the bosses won't take care of their workers' health, the workers will do it themselves

Labor Board Handed Barons of Tuolumne Charges vs. Lumber

Two Companies Indicted for Firing of
Union Members and for Speed-Up
By CIO Woodworkers

TUOLUMNE, Calif.—The battle is on. The National Labor Relations Board man, Ernest Dunbar, told us to hold what we have, and left for San Francisco.

The bosses were enraged at the presence of Dunbar, who was able after a short stay to leave with enough charges to hang the Girdlers of the backwoods.

"Ghost Towns"
In and about Tuolumne are ghost mining towns where millions of dollars in wealth were produced by the workers in the early days. But like most every place else, it's the same story. A handful reaped the benefit of Tuolumne County's wealth.

But the workers who produced this wealth can only talk about the wealth they produced. The shysters left, but the poverty-stricken, broken down workers remain and manage to scratch out an existence by panning for gold in the streams and doing odd jobs. Gone are the mine exploiters to the better lands they know.

NLRB Man in Town
Saturday nights one looks forward to a number of dances in the district. Perhaps the dance orchestra serves the means of forgetting the past. On the evening of October 23, the couples danced to the usual Saturday night orchestra music.

But the Tom Girdlers of Tuolumne heard different music, silent but ringing sound that was relayed by their stool-pigeons—that the Labor Board man arrived in Tuolumne Saturday night and was seen walking about its streets with the CIO organizer. How the news spread in the district! I'm sure the labor-hating Tom Girdlers of West Side Lumber Co. of Tuolumne and the Pickering Lumber Co. of Standard had a very unrestful sleep Saturday night.

Violated Labor Laws
Ernest Dunbar, the NLRB representative, who was requested to come from Pennsylvania to the Pacific Coast, has looked into the situation. He finds a case of direct or indirect misrepresentation in industrial relations. After answering a few questions that Mr. Dunbar asked, the CIO organizer said he was convinced that the labor hater had violated all known labor laws, including the Wagner Act.

Sunday morning the Girdlers saved groups of union men filing into Gibbs Hall, where the NLRB man was busy for hours taking down the charges of unfair labor practices that the union men were filing against both lumber company unions. These charges stated that the company union was dominated by the bosses of the West Side Lumber Co.

Company Union Czar
E. Hodge, a small town politician with Tammany ideas, was the company union organizer from the start. But recently he has thrown a smoke screen about himself, and with the aid of the company, has declined the carpenter boss job for that of safety first man. Since the Int'l. Woodworkers of America has turned the heat on the open-shoppers, Mr. Hodge is the supervisor of this district and an employee of the Westside Lumber Co. So Mr. Fred (Tom Girdler) Ellis is looking to his general E. Hodge to do the dirty work.

An invitation is extended to the public to visit the homes of the West Side mill workers. From a distance you will know

Teamster Heads Unite With Boss

Company Union's
Spokesmen Try a
'Job' in Oregon

Call Meeting in Salem to Attack All
Pro-Labor Legislation, and Both
AFL and CIO

By a Worker Correspondent
SALEM, Oregon—The crudest political maneuver ever staged in Salem!

Mr. B. I. Plummer admitted responsibility for the meeting held in the fireplace room of the Salem Public Library on October 15; Mr. O. F. Anderson of Portland, organizer for the "Industrial Employees Union," called the meeting and acted as chairman.

The IEU is recognized by neither the American Federation of Labor nor by the Committee for Industrial Organization. It is now attempting to defend itself against being declared an illegal company union by the national labor agencies.

Company Union
Mr. Anderson admitted that the membership of the IEU is only 14,000 as compared with the eight million combined membership of the AFL and the CIO. He admitted also that in the 20 years of the organizational work of the IEU there have been only seven strikes and these strikes covered only minor points in the labor struggle.

Mr. Anderson's first appearance in Salem was in the form of a pretense of being a cannery employee at the meeting of October 6, where application was made for a charter for a cannery and agricultural workers union. At this meeting he attempted to cause dissension between native Oregon cannery workers and those from other states.

100% Anti-Labor Gents
At the library his opening remarks condemned the Wagner Labor Relations Act, the Norris McGorarty Bill, the AFL and the CIO. Attorney Wade of Klamath Falls made the same condemnations, adding that the CIO is a resurrection of the old IWW.

Both Mr. Wade and Mr. Anderson tried to gain support for their respective plans by developing confusion in the minds of the audience. Both were a part of the Gov. Martin political machine to promote the passage of a memorial in the Oregon State Legislature to Congress for the repeal of one of the most progressive and beneficial pieces of legislation that the Congress of the U. S. has ever passed, The Wagner Labor Relations Act, and to secure as much support as possible for the Kansas Industrial Court plan.

The Kansas Industrial Court is composed of three people who are appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate. The court has the authority to act upon its own initiative to impose a heavy penalty upon anyone who shall picket or go on strike, and to order others to disrupt the operation of industry. It is more anti-labor than the Oregon Criminal Syndicalism law.

The group assembled in the library referred the Kansas Industrial Court plan to the Salem Central Trades & Labor Council, and agreed to watch the newspapers for a report of their opinion of the legislation proposed by Mr. O. F. Anderson. Acting as self-elected chairman Mr. Anderson did not call for a vote on the next motion after it had been seconded. The motion was to arrange for a debate to be held in the Labor Temple, the debate being "Resolved: That the Townsend plan is more beneficial to labor than the Kansas Industrial Court plan." Debaters to be Mr. Wade, exponent of the Townsend Plan and Mr. O. F. Anderson.

Workers Vigilant
The working people of Oregon will watch with extreme vigilance the B. I. Plummer-O. F. Anderson Wade-Governor Martin attempts to fasten upon them the yoke of the "Kansas Employers' Compensation Act" better known as the Kansas Industrial Court plan.

Mr. B. I. Plummer of Salem is one of the leaders in the Townsend Club. With more work in Townsend locals the Alliance may be able to win the support of the members.

Builds Political Base

WASHINGTON—Moving further towards the establishment of a firm basis for political activity on the part of organized labor, Labor's Non-Partisan League is preparing for an organization drive which will put a permanent functioning branch in almost every locality of the nation.

Warehousemen Are
Locked Out In
Openshop Move

By a Worker Correspondent

SACRAMENTO—Teamster officials' beef squads, with the Sacramento police leading the attack, smashed with violence a picket line of the Warehousemen's Union here. Four members of the union were severely injured by pick-handles and night sticks. The men were Ben Davis, Samuel Wilson, Louis Huie, Elmer Johnson.

Jack Criley, leader of the "goon" squad was beaten by a policeman. Criley was beating Robert Handsaker, a Sacramento Bee photographer, so severely that while the photographer was on the ground, the police had to use night sticks on Criley to stop him.

Forced Arrest of Criley
When arrested, Criley hollered: "I'm a teamster." Stokel, the head of the Teamsters' Union, had the police release Criley from the squad car. However, the police had to detain Criley when another reporter demanded his arrest.

The photographer is suffering concussion of the brain and other injuries. He has preferred battery charges against Criley. Criley was immediately set free on \$50 bail furnished by Stokel. The warehousemen were freed several hours later on \$25 bail, charged with "disturbing the peace."

Low Wages and Speedup

The women workers were receiving \$16 and less three or four months out of the season. These wages have been the same for four years in spite of the increase in the cost of living. A speedup system existed in the plant. The women were not even allowed to leave the job for necessity.

Discrimination against the women was openly practiced. Often they were sent home for failure to keep up with the speedup system as a warning that they would lose their job next time.

A serious health hazard existed in that the air is filled with dust and is hard to breathe. No masks or other means of protection were furnished to protect the workers' lungs.

Stokel Supplied Scabs
In protest against these conditions the workers started negotiations with the employer, but were locked out.

The men and women were picketing the plant when the police ran the scabs furnished by the Teamster official Stokel, through the picket line.

Last June the men workers in Woodruff Seed Co. were organized into the Warehousemen's local union. In July the women workers were also organized into the Warehousemen's Union. The employer absolutely refused to abide by the law of the U. S. and refused to bargain with his employees, and is now cooperating with the police and the Teamster officials in attempting to break the strike. However, the picket lines are to be restored at the plant.

Roche's Strikebreaking

With elections coming up here in Sacramento, it is to be noted that Police Chief Roche, imported from New York, has entered the strikebreaking administration in this city. Last spring the cannery workers were clubbed by the police who were cooperating with the Teamster official Stokel, who was attempting to break the strike.

This was an AFL strike, which shows that the Teamster officials are more concerned about following the dictates of the employers than the workers' rights.

A demand to investigate Stokel and the beef squad is being made to District Attorney Babcock, also an investigation of Police Chief Roche is being demanded, in spite of his corrupt statements that no beef squads would be allowed in Sacramento.

Stokel Directed Cops
The beef squads from San Francisco and Stokel were openly cooperating with the police. In fact, Stokel was directing the police and had earlier in the morning, before the attack gone back for police reinforcements.

Charlie Bingman, the president of the Warehousemen, said that picketing will continue and that the men arrested will plead not guilty and demand a jury trial.

Dining Car Employees
Ask Minimum Wage,
Outlawing of Tips

OMAHA, Nebr.—The National Council of Dining Car Employees, meeting here with delegates from all over the nation, including the Pacific Coast, voted to approve a proposed contract with the railroads outlawing tips and demanding minimum salaries of \$150 a month, announced President Solon C. Ball.

CORPORATIONS MENACE SMALL CALIF. FARMERS

Sharecropper System Now
Gripping San Joaquin
Valley Agriculture

By an Agricultural Worker

CHOWCHILLA—Cotton farmers of the San Joaquin Valley are today feeling the grip of sharecropping and tenant farming which has afflicted the southern states since the abolition of slavery. According to the 1935 census, 21.7 per cent of the farmers of California are tenants.

With the expansion of the large capitalist farmer, financing for the small farmer becomes more and more intolerable. At the present price of cotton, the small farmers are willing to pay \$1 a hundred pounds for picking, but the finance companies will only advance 90 cents a hundred. Thus small farmers not having financial resources must bow to these dictates of the finance companies.

Corporations Threaten

If the tenant cotton farmer shows any signs of giving moral support to the organizing of the farm workers, the big credit corporations immediately bring the threat of cutting off his finances the next year. This has been witnessed several times in the San Joaquin Valley in the past several months.

When the small farmers can be assured that their means of making a living will not be taken from them they will support the United Cannery, Agricultural, Packing and Allied Workers of America in a program of cooperation.

This common program should be to finance farmers under the Federal Administration at a low rate of interest, reestablish former farm owners and to stabilize farm prices.

Culinary Workers Win Victories in Two Merced Cafes

By a Worker Correspondent

MERCED—After four days of picketing, the California Cafe and Hansard's Grill signed up with the union.

Business dropped off to such an alarming extent it was necessary to do something, and since the City Council refused to rush through a measure to stop picketing, there was nothing to do but surrender.

Picketing was very effective, as it had the full support of Merced's 1500 union members plus their many friends. As a result of this victory, 40 new members joined the union which now represents about three-fourths of the town's culinary workers.

The victory put new life into the entire labor movement here and is expected to help the Clerks, who have been having difficulties to get agreements signed.

Oil Workers Give Up Tanker Claim

By An Oil Worker

LONG BEACH—The Intl. Oil Workers Union executive board instructed Intl. Secretary E. C. Conarty to notify the Maritime Federation that it has given up claims to jurisdiction over men employed on tankers. This important decision was made at the regular executive council session during the week of October 4-8.

A SPECIAL PAGE OF TRADE UNION NEWS, DEVELOPMENTS AND FEATURES

CIO Transport Workers Union accuses Los Angeles Railway--Oust "goons" from Sacramento, demands Warehouse Union--Harry Lundberg kept letter from the Sailors Union membership--Dave Beck occupies niche in "Hall of Shame"--Additional labor news on regular news pages.

Assembly Group Told of Police Brutality at Banning

DEPUTY USED TORTURE ON UNION MEN

Metro Water District Is Guilty, Say Strikers In Testimony

LOS ANGELES—Vivid descriptions of police brutality employed on strikers during the Banning aqueduct strike were given the Assembly Capital and Labor Interim investigating committee as it convened here last week in the State Building.

The seven-man committee headed by Assemblyman Paul A. Richie of San Diego, heard Hugh C. Wilson, member of the CIO Intl. Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers, tell how Deputy Sheriff Frank Scott tried to force information out of him by administering the "water cure."

"Water Cure" Used
"Scott knocked me on the floor," Wilson declared, "put his left knee on my stomach, his right knee on my throat, and held my nose with his right hand."

"Then, when I would gasp for breath, he would pour water down my throat."

Appointed recently by Speaker Wm. Mosley Jones, the Capital and Labor Committee is composed of Assemblymen Jack B. Tenny, Fred Reeves, Emmet Dawson, J. Geo. Clark, Melvin I. Cronin, F. P. Muldoon and Richie.

Probe Banning Strike
Purpose of the committee, said Richie, is "to investigate all matters concerning capital and labor, the relationship of employers to employees."

First matter taken up by the committee is the Banning strike, where close to 1000 workers on the Colorado River Aqueduct walked out more than two months ago when the Metropolitan Water District refused to sign an agreement with the union and fired 38 men for union activity.

"It is a matter of public knowledge," said Richie, "that a strike situation exists in Banning. It is the duty of this committee to investigate that strike and to recommend possible legislation to the Assembly."

In attendance at the hearing were Attorney William M. Byrne, for the Water District, and I. A. Weultner, counsel for the striking union.

Held on "Suspicion"
Wilson testified he had been arrested by deputy sheriffs in Banning and held on "suspicion of assault" on September 1.

"I was standing on the street in Banning when four deputies picked me up, took me to the jail where I was not allowed to consult with my lawyer," he stated.

After being kept in jail for several hours, Wilson continued, he was taken to one of the aqueduct tunnels where the "water cure" was given him in efforts to make him tell, I. S. Hallack.

"I don't know to this day who did it," he replied when queried by Muldoon.

Besides the "water cure," Wilson received a broken nose, and bruises on the head, face, and ribs after being beaten by deputy sheriffs.

Water District Guilty
Under questioning by Assemblyman Dawson, Wilson said he believed "the Metropolitan Water District is guilty of those acts of violence."

"The 'water cure' took place on Metropolitan Water District property," he said.

Second witness questioned was Sheldon Brown, another striker beaten by deputies hired by the District. On unanimous vote of the committee, cross-examination by attorneys was ruled out.

Subpoena Sheriff
On the basis of Wilson's testimony, committee members voted to subpoena Sheriff Fred Rayburn of Riverside County, and Deputy Sheriffs Thomas, Schultz and Scott.

Hearing on the Banning strike is expected to continue at least two weeks. Part of the investigation will be conducted in Banning and at the aqueduct site itself.

Hunt Suspended By Marine Cooks

SAN FRANCISCO—The Marine Cooks & Stewards Union, at its meeting last Thursday night, voted to suspend Boston Hunt, former dispatcher, from the union for one year. The charges against Hunt included going as an authorized delegate to the Federation of Labor Council, and claiming to speak for the MC&S.

Opens Convention 50,000 Strong



PRESIDENT Michael J. Quill (right) of the Transport Workers of America is shown with CIO chairman John L. Lewis (center) and Pres. Sidney Hillman of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers on the platform of Madison Square Garden as his union holds its first convention. Closed shop contracts with practically every transit line in the city were reported.

Foc'sle and Dock

By BILL SMITH

SO NOW the Japanese have murdered a British soldier. And the minute that Japanese gunner pulled the trigger the British soldier ceased to be a living, breathing human being. Instead, he became an "international incident."

Maybe he had a wife and kids in the homeland. Maybe he had a girl friend or a mother. But now he's just so much dead flesh and in the arguments back and forth between Japanese and British diplomats, even his name is forgotten.

This is the cruelty of capitalist war. Some time back an American seaman was killed by accident by Chinese bombers. He too became a corpse—and an "international incident."

Profit Motive

IF THEY are allowed to do so, the shipowners gladly will transport munitions to Japan. Why shouldn't they? They make a big profit, don't they? And since when have shipowners been interested in mere human values—in human life?

They will transport munitions of war to material to China too, because it really doesn't make any difference to them who pays the money—just so someone pays, and pays heavily.

But now there is quite a bit of talk about an embargo on war materials destined for Japan. As usual, the sentiment for embargo comes from the working people who know, by first hand experience, what war means.

And the working people know who is the aggressor in this Japanese inspired blood bath. Of course the big shots know, too, but it serves their interests better to hide behind words and legalism and confusion. They can afford to talk for months. They don't have to pack a gun or fly a plane, no matter who goes to war.

How to Keep Out of War

THE WAY to keep America out of war is to keep war out of the world. This is a Communist slogan—but President Roosevelt said much the same thing in a recent talk.

And when you start talking about embargoes on shipments to Japan, the West Coast seamen and longshoremen are vitally affected. They are the ones who could make such an embargo effective—or render it ineffective. If shipments are to be stopped, a great majority of them will be stopped right here on the Pacific Coast.

So it falls upon us on the waterfront to help the peace-loving American working people to put a spike in the Japanese militarists' planned rape of the Chinese people. Now is the time to start thinking about this embargo. We're not "diplomats" on the waterfront and we see things as they are and we don't want confusion.

Which, of course, brings up the matter of a bonus.

And why, by all that's holy, shouldn't seamen demand a bonus for taking ships into any war zone? If the shipowners want a profit while seamen take the risk of life and limb, let the shipowners pay. Wait until they start taking shipments to China without charging the Chinese people a single cent for the service—and then maybe the seamen will forego the demanded bonus.

Everything for China!

BUT AS FOR taking war materials to Japan—well, that's something else again. Where is the seaman who is willing, for a few lousy bucks, to become part of the murder machine that is slaughtering helpless Chinese

VITAL LETTER IS KEPT DARK BY LUNDEBERG

Sailors Didn't Hear Stand Of NMU Before Voting To Pull Men Off Ships

SAN FRANCISCO—When the Sailors Union headquarters branch voted on October 25 to continue taking East Coast men off West Coast ships, and also to remove all SUP permit men coming from the East Coast, it was done without the membership being aware of a letter sent Harry Lundberg, SUP secretary, by Thomas Ray, New York Maritime Council secretary.

Copies of the letter were also sent the Voice of the Federation and the Western Worker. Since neither Lundberg nor the "Voice" made the letter public, it is released by the Western Worker.

Referring to Lundberg's policy, in the letter dated October 15, Ray wrote:

Can't Understand Decision
"We are, to say the least, completely at a loss to understand the reasons or causes leading up to such a decision. It is quite natural, therefore, for us to feel that some explanation is due the officers and membership of the NMU (National Maritime Union). Certainly such a position is not in accordance with the aims and objectives of the American seamen."

"The needs and well being of the American seamen require National Unity and a National Union of Seamen. These objectives cannot be obtained by pursuing a policy of isolation, nor can they be obtained by adopting policies that create bitterness instead of good will."

"You would be the last one to deny that the American seamen desire National Unity and a National Seamen's Union. But how can these objectives be obtained by applying policies that inflict hardships on your brother seamen without just cause?"

Can Reach Agreement
"It is undoubtedly true that we may not see eye to eye on these objectives. We may not agree 100 per cent with one another on how a National Union of Seamen is to be obtained or how it is to function in a manner best suited to the particular needs of each Coast or each section thereof, but there is no reason to suppose that an agreement on these questions cannot be reached."

"The great mass of seamen now organized in the NMU and, I understand the membership of the Marine Firemen, Oilers, Watertenders & Wipers Assn., and the Marine Cooks & Stewards of the Pacific have signified their willingness to cooperate to obtain these objectives."

Gains With CIO
At a union meeting last week, organizers among insurance workers reported three chapters have been organized for agents working in the Metropolitan, John Hancock and Prudential companies.

"Since its CIO affiliation in June, the local has increased more than 150 per cent in membership," Mrs. Campbell said.

"When the union opened its present organizational drive in September, we set ourselves the goal of doubling the membership by December 1. Although we have already fulfilled that goal, we intend to intensify our campaign which can only end when all white collar workers in Los Angeles are organized."

Contract Signed
Mrs. Campbell also announced the recent signing of a contract with Kramer Bros., wholesale hosiery distributors, involving the entire office staff, and providing union recognition, wage increases and time and a half overtime.

Pending before the National Labor Relations Board is the union's petition to be named bargaining agent for office workers in Haas, Baruch & Co., wholesale grocers.

Meet Nov. 9
During the hearing October 12, the UOPWA was opposed by the company which claimed that the office staff did not constitute a proper bargaining unit, and by the Teamsters' Union which demanded certification as bargaining agent for all employees of the company.

The UOPWA's next meeting will be November 9, at 110 West 9th St., with nominations for permanent officers as the main order of business.

Says Daily Would Help a Great Deal

LOS ANGELES—I am in receipt of your letter of recent date and think that a daily paper would help out a great deal if the general public would read it. I have read both sides the kept press and the labor side. My sympathies, of course, are on the side of labor.

Letter Kept Dark
Although this letter was received several weeks ago by Lundberg, he did not read it to the SUP membership at the October 25 meeting when this question came up.

Carl Tillman brought up the issue when he said he was supposed to pull East Coast men

Point of Order

A Trade Union Column By JOHN BROMAN

SOME time ago a short-story appeared in the "Western" local jurisdictional dispute between four AFL craft unions—the Carpet Layers, Carpet Smoothers, Tack Holders, and Tack Tappers—and how the dispute was finally settled by creating a new craft, the Tack Spacers.

The story was funny because it was based on reality, and if you don't believe it, listen to this true tale of jurisdiction.

For years and years, the stationary engineers working in the railroad shops have been members of the Firemen & Oilers Union, and have been working under agreements signed by that organization.

But several moons ago, "Brother" William Green, from his seat on high, decided that these stationary engineers were very unhappy because they were in the wrong organization. Being highly attuned to their welfare, he issued a decree that henceforth these workers should belong to the Operating Engineers, another craft organization.

Armed with Green's pronouncement, "organizers" for the Operating Engineers started to tour the railroad centers of this country.

Green's Technique

NOW there are already 21 so-called standard railroad labor organizations in the country, whose top leaders have a little sewing circle known as the Railroad Labor Executives Assn. In addition, there are two other organizations which these executives do not consider classy enough to sit in with them, because they are unions of Negro workers—the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, and the Dining Car Cooks & Waiters.

One would think craft unionism had reached its apex in the railroad industry, that it would be difficult to find other ways to split up the "raids." But not so. To think that would be to render a grave injustice to the splitting technique of Green & Co.

The operating engineers who are now being "organized" out of the Firemen & Oilers into the Operating Engineers, were not too few in number to escape Green's eagle eye. For example, in the Southern Pacific shops in San Francisco there are some 80 or a dozen operating engineers; in other shops, there are only two or three.

Quite enough for a good craft organization, rules Green, and now we have the railroad workers split up into 24 different organizations.

"Unity a la Pie-Card"

THROUGH all the history of railroad unionism, you will find militant campaigns springing up from the rank and file seeking one united organization, or at least a real federation closely bound together and acting in unison for their demands.

This fight for unity has been sabotaged and knifed in all conceivable ways by the "pie-card artists" who occupy the seats of the mighty in the railroad crafts.

But, while fighting unity of the labor organizations, these union officials do believe in a peculiar kind of unity—amalgamation of the railroad companies! Back in 1921 the Railway Employees Department of the AFL had one W. Jett Lauck prepare a high-priced report for the Railroad Labor Board, pointing out the "advantage of unity of the railroad systems" and condemning all who opposed it as "reactionaries motivated only by matters of personal advantage."

Ask any railroad worker what he thinks of amalgamation of railroad lines—that is, ask him if you don't mind a profane answer. Amalgamation is one of the main reasons why some 80,000 workers have been driven out of the railroad industry since 1921.

With their militant and heroic traditions of struggle, the railroad workers, however, are still continuing their fight for a powerful federation of railroad workers, starting with local federations and working up to a national unit set-up, with which to win their demands.

Be a Life! Get the Daily "Western" for Life by Raising 100 Dollars

off the ships, but that when he tried, the West Coast men opposed it. He asked what he should do. The meeting reaffirmed the previous stand to pull NMU men off West Coast ships.

ILWU DEMANDS 'GOOD' OUSTER IN SACRAMENTO

Team Officials' Attempt To Raid Warehousemen Is Fought

SACRAMENTO—Cleansing this city of "goons" imported by Teamsters' Union officials, was demanded by the Warehousemen's Union Local 1-17, Intl. Longshoremen's & Warehousemen's Union, in a resolution adopted last week and forwarded to City Manager Dean, the city council and the chief of police.

The resolution stated:

Increased Wages
Whereas: The Warehousemen's Union Local 1-17, ILWU for the past two years has succeeded in organizing almost every warehouse and cereal mill in the city of Sacramento which has resulted in shortening of working hours, and increases in wages of from 75 to 125 per cent in some cases, and

Whereas: This has resulted in better living conditions, and increased purchasing power for some 500 citizens of Sacramento, which are at present the members of this union, and a cross section of the population of this city, and

Whereas: In almost all instances these concessions were brought about by negotiations through the medium of collective bargaining without the use of long and bitter strikes, and

Anti-Union Conspiracy
Whereas: There has recently developed between this local union and the local firm of F. H. Woodruff & Sons a strike issue involving some 50 women employees and 15 men employees which could be settled by sitting around a table and ironing out the differences, and

Whereas: This aforementioned employer who is a first class union labor-hater, refuses to settle any of the existing differences between his employees, represented by the Warehousemen's Union, and his firm, but has elected to enter into a conspiracy with Mr. George Stokel of the Teamsters' Union of this city for the purpose of defeating his employees in their struggle to better their working conditions, and

Whereas: On Wednesday morning, October 27, George Stokel in company with a beef squad headed by Jack Crilly of the Teamsters' Union, who has been and is now employed by the Teamsters' Union for the purpose of beating and blackjacking workers into submission, appearing in the company of 30 police officers for the purpose of running nine strike breakers through the Warehousemen's picket line, and

Police Started Riot
Whereas: The officers in charge of the police were responsible for the starting and creating of a riot, which resulted in the beating and blackjacking of several Warehousemen's pickets and which also resulted in the brutal beating of a local press photographer, now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That we, some 500 members of the Warehousemen's Union, do vigorously protest the use of the Sacramento Police Department in aiding and abetting the use of strikebreakers by William Clapp, Gen. Mgr. of the Woodruff & Sons Plant, and be it further

Clean Out "Goons!"
Resolved: That we protest to the City Mgr., City Council, and the Chief of Police the use of the police in helping known racketeers in the labor movement such as George Stokel, Jack Crilly, and other imported beef squad hooligans, which at present infest the city of Sacramento and whose program is to break up and destroy our Warehousemen's Union, which has made better working conditions in our trade, and be it

Resolved: That we demand of the Chief of Police that he immediately see to it that this city is cleansed of out side trouble makers imported into this city to create strife, and finally be it

Resolved: That copies of this resolution be sent to City Mgr. Dean, the City Council, the Chief of Police, the Sacramento Federated Trades Council, the Sacramento CIO Industrial Union Council, and the Press.

PREFERENTIAL SHOP

NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Shorter hours, wage increases and the preferential shop were won by the CIO United Oil Burner Workers Union in a contract with Aetna Oil Burner Co., Inc.

Business Agent Bob Says

A CERTAIN capitalist—so goes the story—was more than usually tight and penurious with his money, particularly when it came to paying decent wages, and was so accused in a Labor Board hearing.

It was reported that the capitalist replied: "I'm not tight—I just don't want to spend my money!"

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"We further will present evidence of spying on active union members and also evidence of intimidation by the company union gang," McCarthy stated.

Definite proof that two organizers for the company union have been paid on the LARY company payroll, will also be presented to the Assembly committee, he added.

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Schedule Dance
The CIO union will have a dance on Saturday night, November 20, at 1244 Innes Avenue, Shulman declared. Additional gains in organization are expected to be made that evening, and at a large mass meeting on Wednesday, November 24, when progressive Assemblyman Sam Yorty will speak.

CIO Wins Gains in L. A. Steel Plant
LOS ANGELES—Workers at Emco Derrick & Equipment Co. won sole bargaining rights, wage increases and overtime pay last week when the company signed a contract with the CIO Steel Workers Organizing Committee.

Kenneth Hunter, SWOC representative, said the agreement involves over 600 workers, and that since organization first began, wages have been boosted 25 per cent or close to \$175,000 a year. He said vacation arrangements "have been improved 100 per cent" through the contract.

William Dalrymple, SWOC regional director, and Ernest Putz, company vice-president, signed the contract.

WON'T BAR CIO
FAIRMONT, W. Va.—CIO local unions will not be barred from membership in the Monongahela Valley Trades & Labor Council according to a resolution passed unanimously at a recent meeting.

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'Hall of Shame'
This Niche Reserved for MISTER DAVE BECK

By DAVE WILLIAM

Oh please shed a tear for the boon Mister Beck,
The loon Mister Beck, the goon Mister Beck.

This champion teamo has had a pipe dream-o,
It gave him a scem-o to make him the Boss:

This master of muscle is now in a hustle
Because his last tussle was thrown for a loss.

So please shed a tear while we doubt Mister Beck,
Flout Mister, clout Mister, rout Mister Beck.

When the labor fakers are dispossessed

From the cushioned thrones where the pie-cards grow,
They will dream of the days when they used to rest
Before the birth of the CIO.

CIO TRANSPORT UNION ACCUSES L. A. RAILWAY

Labor Board Gets Charges Denouncing Company-Fostered Union

LOS ANGELES—CIO Transport Workers Union, Local 156, filed complaints with the National Labor Relations Board charging the Los Angeles Railway Co. with dismissal of seven men for union activity and fostering of a company union.

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Leader Praises Probes of Police, "Goon" Terrorism

LOS ANGELES—Wholehearted support to current moves against "goon" terrorism and police brutality, was given here by J. R. Robertson, Southern California CIO director.

Commenting on the Assembly Capital and Labor Interim Committee, and on the Citizens' Committee for Industrial Justice, composed of many liberal and progressive organizations, Robertson declared:

Terrorism
"These groups, if they pursue their investigation thoroughly and seriously, will bring to light that brutal vigilante and gangster terrorism is being used in attempts to prevent organization of workers."

"At Banning, where Intl. Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers members are on strike against a few dictatorial directors of the Metropolitan Water District, the committees will uncover evidence to parallel and even surpass the cruelty used against workers elsewhere."

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